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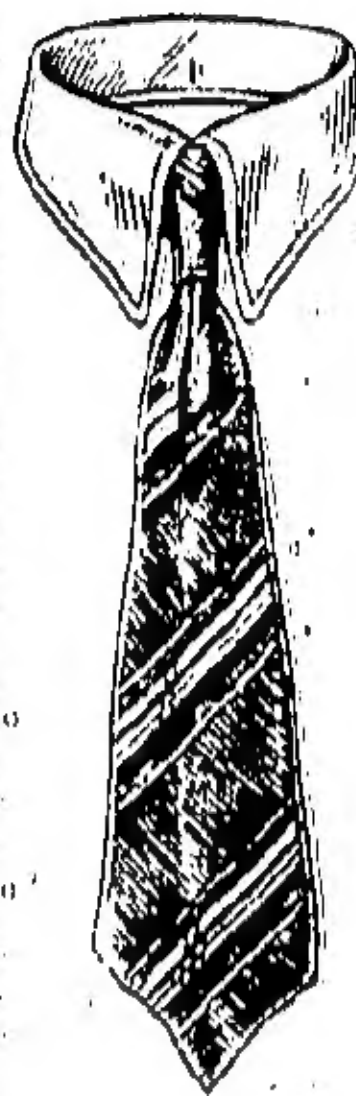
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"THIS FABRIC." COUNSEL ON CROWN CASE STRUCTURE. ATHERLEY CASE FINALE. "Not A Case For The Jury."

This morning the sixth day of hearing of the charges of fraudulent conversion against Mr. James Edward Atherley, saw the conclusion of the Crown case and a lengthy statement by Mr. Zeitlyn, for Mr. Atherley, in refutation of the charges.

In the course of this statement, Mr. Zeitlyn referred to this "fabric of fraud" in the superstructure of the Crown case. The jury might have its views as to the propriety of Mr. Atherley's borrowing from the comrade, but the Court which was trying the case was a court of law and not of ethics. The statement that the comrade had made as to his having lent the money to Mr. Atherley on his (the comrade's) own responsibility and that if he had not got the money from Mr. Atherley he would consider that he had the right to charge it up to the Company was referred to by Mr. Zeitlyn. It "knocked the bottom" out of the Crown case, he said.

When the Crown case had closed, Mr. Zeitlyn put it to His Lordship that the question of fraudulent conversion was a question of law, and that the jury need not be called upon to decide the case. It had been proved in the course of the Crown case that specific sums had been handed to Mr. Atherley and paid back by him to the comrade.

His Lordship: After they had reposed in his account for some time. Mr. Zeitlyn asked that he might draw His Lordship's attention to a reported law case on fraudulent conversion in which Mr. Justice Stephen had delivered himself of some remarks relative to the interpretation of fraudulent conversion. Mr. Justice Stephen, he reminded His Lordship, was the author of the history of Criminal Law. There must be evidence of intent to defraud, said Mr. Justice Stephen, evidence of intent to deprive the owner permanently of his property.

His Lordship: If cheques paid to accused were put into his account and, subsequently, the sums paid by accused, into the company's account, there is surely evidence there of intent to deprive Getz Bros. of those cheques.

Mr. Zeitlyn asked that if His Lordship was of opinion that the jury should decide, he should note the point that he (Mr. Zeitlyn) had raised.

Evidence Of Intent? His Lordship said he would. He thought that the fact that the money which belonged or was alleged to have belonged, to Getz Bros. was taken and dealt with by the accused was sufficient justification for the matter going to the jury.

Mr. Zeitlyn then addressed the jury at some length before putting Mr. Atherley into the witness box. He spoke as follows: His Lordship in his wisdom has held that you gentlemen of the jury, as judges of the facts, should be called upon to decide this matter which has been adjudicated before you for so many days. Although I exercised my discretion as I conceived it, I am glad, if I may say so, that His Lordship has so decided. It is of the utmost importance to Mr. Atherley that this case having been investigated as thoroughly as it has and as fully elucidated as it will be when Mr. Atherley goes into the witness box, should have a decision from you, gentlemen of the jury, that there was nothing in his conduct which has been enquired into in this case that ought to call for the censure which would undoubtedly follow if he was found guilty of the charges alleged against him.

In the course of my examination of witnesses for the prosecution, I have more or less clearly indicated to you what my answer to these charges is. So far from Mr. Atherley receiving these moneys on account of his employees, Mr. Atherley will tell you (as I, in my cross-examination of the chief witness for the Crown, the comrade, put to him) that these moneys were loans obtained by Mr. Atherley from the comrade whose responsibility was to his employers for these moneys, arising as it did from contracts which

small a mouse. There was only one cheque paid in to Mr. Atherley on March 22. On another occasion, (March 26) we find that \$73.50 was paid into Mr. Atherley's account and this was on a date when the cashier received \$373.50. The money that had been kept by Mr. Atherley, so far from being moneys of the firm which he had misappropriated was for expenses incurred on behalf of the Company in disbursements for riches taken in the course of visits to customers, and other small items. As regards Mr. Atherley's paying-in book, Mr. Atherley was arrested on October 23 and from that day to this he has not been near the office and with the exception of one or two documents everything remained where it was. The paying-in book has always been in the custody of the comrade department.

In respect of other items, Mr. Atherley did not know what sums were paid into his account and what is more he did not care, continued Mr. Zeitlyn. He had asked the comrade to make advances and the comrade had assented and the comrade might have used moneys flowing in from contracts entered into by the company under guarantee with the comrade. If Mr. Atherley had thought about it he would have said "the comrade is responsible to the company for it, the company will look to him." There had been many transactions between Mr. Atherley and the comrade and between the comrade and others on which occasions the comrade took post dated cheques and made advances on the company's money.

The comrade was content to take responsibility vis-a-vis to the company and said in effect "I will lend these moneys because I trust these people to pay me back." When the comrade's agreement was determined and he was face to face with having to pay back loans due to the company he said "I paid it to Mr. Atherley."

That is the story you are now asked to believe, said Mr. Zeitlyn. You will remember some remarkable admissions the comrade made under cross-examination. His Lordship: I do not wish to interrupt or to shorten your address but I want both sides to know that in view of the time taken and the rather complicated nature of the facts I proposed to read the evidence as a whole to the jury at a later stage.

Mr. Zeitlyn: I am obliged to your Lordship. I should like however at this stage to remind the jury of the admission the comrade made to me—that he lent this money to Mr. Atherley on his own responsibility and he had it in his own mind that if Mr. Atherley did not pay him back he would charge it to the company's account. "Is not that the end of the prosecution's case," continued Mr. Zeitlyn. "Does not the whole bottom fall out at once if you bear that admission in mind. It is a different story from that the prosecution alleges."

The documentary evidence in the case was a more eloquent tribute to Mr. Atherley's honesty and probity than anything which the eloquence or ability of himself (Mr. Zeitlyn) could pay to him, continued counsel. One in particular he would refer to, dealing as it did with one of the transactions on which was based this superstructure of fraud against the company. He (Mr. Zeitlyn) could not have prayed for a document which so thoroughly refuted the charges of the comrade than the one which the comrade had himself produced. In this, the words, "handed to the manager to be paid into bank at later date" appeared in respect of sums from March 5 and so on until March 31. The comrade could not have indicated in more plain terms that he had not paid these moneys to the company but to the manager.

"Your decision is of the utmost importance to this man of 40, charged on as serious a charge as can be brought against any business man. I do not care whether you think it wise of Mr. Atherley to have borrowed from the comrade. It is a common practice which may or may not be revised, for the manager to borrow from the comrade. We may have different views as to its propriety but this is a court of law and not a court of ethics. You have to bear this in mind and you have to explain the fact that the money was entered as paid to Mr.

"EMPRESS" CRASH.

INDO-CHINA SHIP SUNK.

Shanghai Collision.

(Router's Service.)

Shanghai, January 11.

The "Empress of Asia," outward bound, collided in the river this morning with the Indo-China steamer "Tung Shing," from Hongkong.

The latter was sunk off the Point. Only her funnel and one mast is showing.

Atherley to be paid into the bank at a later date. Mr. Atherley will tell you from first to last he regarded these advances as loans from the comrade which he has never repudiated and which he would have paid back by now had it not been for his arrest.

This concluded Mr. Zeitlyn's opening address.

Prisoner In Box. As outlined by Mr. Zeitlyn, Mr. Atherley gave his evidence from the witness-box.

Mr. Jenkin then began the cross-examination for the prosecution.

Answering counsel, prisoner stated, inter alia, that:

His largest loan from the comrade, previous to his request for \$2,500 or \$3,000, was \$1,000—when his wife came out.

Cheques were drawn by him, on his personal account to cover I.O.U.'s and accumulated (O.K'd) bills paid on his behalf.

His own "cancelled" personal cheques on the International Bank were destroyed after the statement of account had been made out.

He kept no record of loans from the comrade, or of O.K'd bills paid on his behalf.

As regards his payment on April 1 of a cheque to the comrade of \$1,213.29—to settle I.O.U.'s and O.K'd bills—it was a coincidence that receipts from two Chinese firms on that day should total the same amount. He assumed it was his own cheque that went into the Company's account.

On April 4 he gave the comrade another cheque for \$1,975.96 and the same amount was paid into the firm's account in respect of newspapers. This, he pointed out to Mr. Jenkin who had suggested was another coincidence, was not a coincidence. The amount shown in the Company's books as paid in was in error.

At this stage His Lordship put a query and prisoner replied that the comrade must have applied his cheque to the payment of the company's account.

"Not a Coincidence." Mr. Jenkin then asked if it was not a coincidence that prisoner should have issued a personal cheque on April 7 for \$307.44 and that a Chinese firm of Sui Yick paid in the same amount on the same day.

Atherley's reply was that it was a coincidence that the amount of his O.K'd bills should equal Sui Yick's payment. That morning he asked the comrade for personal bills to the amount of \$300 or \$400. The comrade brought in bills for \$307.44 and he gave him the cheque.

As to a cheque of \$2,000 on April 11, prisoner maintained that it was post-dated and must have been given to the comrade some days before. "It was not a coincidence that payment on account of newspapers on the same day should be of the same amount as this payment was only 'on account' and was not for the full amount."

To subsidiary questions on the same cheque, prisoner replied: "I had no idea that the amount of \$2,000, shown on the slip as a payment into the company's account, had any connection with my cheque because my cheque was post-dated and might have been given a few days prior."

Another reply was: "I endorse all cheques that needed endorsement but not all cheques needed to be endorsed. My cheque for \$2,000 was a 'cash cheque' and therefore needed no endorsement by me—on behalf of the company—when it was paid in."

At this stage His Lordship rose for the tiffin adjournment.

CYCLE THIEF.

SEVEN STOLEN MACHINES FOUND.

PAWNED WITH FORGED RECEIPTS.

A mystery of stolen bicycles was solved at the Central Magistracy this morning when a Chinese youth, pleaded guilty to five charges of converting hired machines to his own use.

The method adopted by the thief was to hire a cycle from a different shop each time and take it to the pawnshops. Forged sale notes of the Sun Company were handed to the pawnbrokers as receipts and in four cases the thief obtained \$10 for each machine.

When caught on the last occasion in the act of attempting to pawn a stolen machine, the detective was shown a sale note, and the thief invited him to visit the Sun Company if he wished to make inquiries. On the way the man attempted to get away by jumping on the machine, but failed. This was stated in the evidence by the detective.

Divisional Inspector P. Grant, who was in charge of investigations, said that altogether seven machines had been stolen.

The defendant was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour on each of the five counts, the sentences to run consecutively. His Worship said that the pawnbrokers had acted in good faith, and the owners would therefore have to redeem the machines by payment of the sum obtained in each case, but without interest.

LAUNCH SINKS.

INCIDENT IN HARBOUR TO-DAY.

ONE SIDE GOES DOWN.

No life was lost at 3.30 this morning when the local steam-launch "Choy Fat" sank alongside Pottinger Street pier (outside Messrs. Watson's aerated water factory) on the Central Praya.

An unusual feature is that the starboard was, at the time of the report, still above water, as it was tied to the pier, but the rest is submerged.

The "Choy Fat" left Aberdeen in the small hours with fish for the Central Market—the market opening hour being 4 a.m.

A heavy blow and high seas forced the launch against the stone pier with the result that the planking became strained and she sank rapidly.

BRIBERY CHARGE.

CHINESE TRUCK MAN FINED.

A PLEA OF IGNORANCE.

A Chinese truck coolie pleaded guilty at the Central Magistracy this morning to a charge of attempting to offer \$1 as a bribe to an Indian constable. Defendant pleaded ignorance and said that he offered the money to secure his release after he was arrested for causing obstruction on the tramway lines.

A fine of \$20 was imposed, the bribe money going to the poor box.

MOTOR ACCIDENT.

CAR OUT OF CONTROL IN PARK ROAD.

EUROPEAN COUPLE'S ESCAPE.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. O'Sullivan had an anxious time yesterday when the brakes of a motor car in which they were travelling yesterday afternoon gave way in coming down a steep incline at Park Road. The vehicle careered down the hill and was brought to a halt by striking a bank at Bonham Road.

The driver and the two passengers fortunately escaped serious injury. Mr. O'Sullivan hurt his right knee and was also injured in the hand. His injuries were attended to at the Government Civil Hospital.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

STEEL TRADE.

Price Firmness Continues.

Pittsburgh, December 5.—The
 trade's condition grows stronger
 week by week through the pro-
 longation of the demand, rather
 than by the demand increasing.
 The demand has been heavy for
 fully two months.

The total tonnage placed on mill
 books is not as important as the
 character of the business, chiefly
 because of the influence of rail
 buying for the new year. This
 puts a large tonnage on mill books
 in a short period without materially
 affecting the general prospect.

In the long run the strength of
 the mill position must lie in steel
 consumption, and in this con-
 sideration, evidence are considered par-
 ticularly favourable, as apart from
 special business like rail and
 structural orders the buyers are
 cutting for as early deliveries as
 possible. At this time of year
 buyers would not wish to accumu-
 late stocks, the annual inventory
 being near at hand, thus a very
 heavy rate of consumption seems to
 be indicated.

Production and shipments of
 steel were at a somewhat higher
 rate in November than in October,
 in which month ingots were made
 at just a shade under an annual
 rate of 45,000,000 tons, that figure
 being only 10 per cent. under the
 record high rate, held for only a
 very few weeks.

Whatever high point the rate of
 steel production may strike in the
 near future, all the indications are
 that there is now the best period
 of sustained production the steel
 trade has had since the war.
 A new record for a month's output
 may not be made, though of course it
 is quite possible that it will be, but
 new records for periods of four,
 five or more months are altogether
 likely to be made.

No consuming line stands out as
 being particularly active. The
 largeness of the present tonnage
 of steel deliveries, without there
 being any appearance of expec-
 tation, is to be ascribed to increased
 activity in the consuming in-
 dustries.

Steel prices are substantially firm
 all along the line, and any change
 that may occur in the near future
 will be advances, but mills are not
 pushing their recently acquired
 advantage in the market, being in
 quite conservative mood in nursing
 the buying movement. Just as the
 market was merely sagging in
 various spots earlier in the year it
 will now gain strength, as to
 corporate prices, quite slowly.

An exception regarding sagging
 was furnished by sheets, which
 declined sharply, and they may now
 be said to have advanced rather
 sharply.

HOME TRADE.

MANCHESTER MARKET.
REPORT.

China Prospects Gloomy.

Messrs. James F. Hutton & Co.,
 Ltd., Manchester, writing under
 date December 9 reviewed the
 position as follows:—

Raw cotton prices continue to
 favour buyers, till to-day. The
 downward movement has been
 chiefly due to the quiet state of
 affairs in the futures market, and
 absence of support. The basis of
 spot cotton continues dear for the
 better qualities, and further sup-
 plies are more difficult to obtain.
 The distribution throughout the
 world shows a very considerable
 increase over the same period last
 year, thus confirming prospects of
 a record consumption. Business
 during the last week has been
 rather restricted pending the final
 Bureau report. As was generally
 expected recently the indicated
 yield is rather larger than pre-
 vious estimates i.e. 15,603,000
 bales, amounting to 13,858,000.
 As far as enquiry is concerned the
 cloth market has been rather
 more active, but it has been very
 hard work to arrange some of the
 contracts. There has been a
 better demand from India and a
 fairly good business has been done
 in shooies and light goods gen-
 erally, chiefly for Calcutta. Bom-
 bay has not troubled to any great
 extent. Fancies have also done
 moderately. The prospects for
 China appear worse than ever.

Trade with the U.S.A. has slacken-
 ed off. The Continent have again
 bought, but at very poor prices.
 Home trade have also bought
 freely. For the better grades and
 finer makes delivery is becoming
 a difficult problem. We will not
 have another report till the latter
 part of January, so that with the
 raw material and cloth prices
 being on a reasonable low basis
 there are expectations of a steady
 revival in trade. It must not be
 overlooked that a very consider-
 able proportion of the present
 huge cotton crops is not suitable
 for general use and there is a
 belief that the price of the low
 grade will possibly encourage the
 replacing of various other fibres
 both at home and abroad. The
 amount estimated as untenderable
 is about 15 per cent. Spinners
 have not done too well. Shooies
 counts are rather more healthy,
 but not much improvement in
 medium counts. A fair business
 has been done in the better grade
 of Egyptian counts.

The British Columbia Chamber
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 the famous deposits from which
 Quebec supplies the world, has
 been found at the head waters of

the Quebec Creek off the Fraser
 River, near Lytton. The vein has
 been traced for several miles, it
 said, and has been found to be of
 considerable width.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1926.

On London—

Bank, Wire 24-1
 On demand 24 3/4
 30 day's sight 24-1
 4 months' sight 24-1
 Documentary, 4 months sight 24 11/16

On Paris—

On demand 1510
 On 4 months' sight 1600

On Berlin—

On demand nom.
 On New York—

On demand 87 1/2
 On 30 days' sight 89 1/2

On Bombay—

On demand 154 1/2
 On Calcutta—

On demand 101 1/2
 On Singapore—

On demand 118 1/2
 On Manila—

On demand nom.
 On Shanghai—

On demand 133 1/2
 On Yokohama—

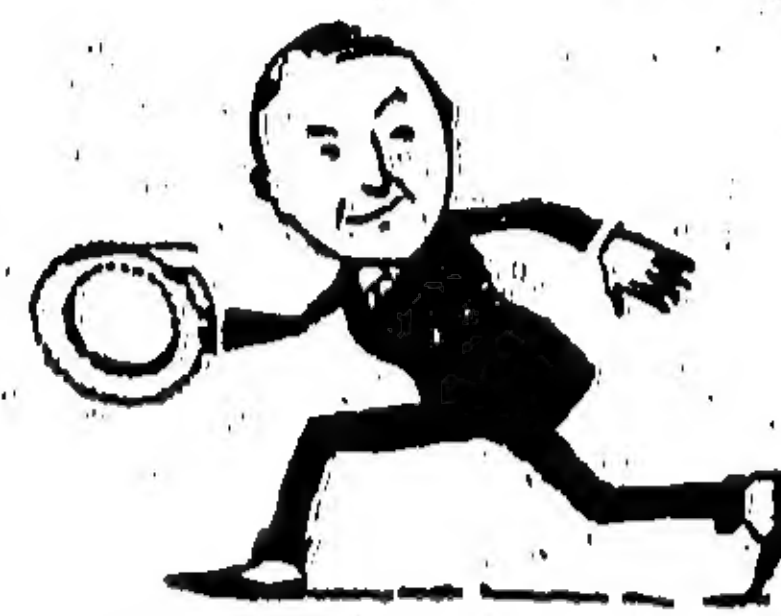
On demand 133 1/2
 On Hongkong (Bank's buying rate) 8.50
 Silver (per oz.) 31.13/16
 Bar Silver in Hongkong 8 1/2 pm.
 Chinese Copper Cash 10 1/2 pm.
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 Hongkong Sub. Coll. per



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			1925.	1918.	1914.
Beef Sirloin	牛尾	lb.	38	24	12
" Prime Cut	牛尾	"	30	23	12
" Corned	牛肉	"	30	23	12
" Roast	牛肉	"	30	24	12
" Breast	牛肉	"	24	20	13
" Soup	牛肉	"	22	20	13
" Steak	牛肉	"	30	24	12
" Steak Sirloin	牛肉	"	45	30	35
" Sausages	牛肉	"	40	25	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	12	12
" Tongue, fresh	牛舌	each	90	59	60
" Tongue, corned	牛舌	"	60	—	—
" Head	牛頭	"	\$1.50	—	\$1.20
" Heart	牛心	"	24	13	14
" Hump, Salt	牛腰	"	—	20	18
" Feet	牛脚	each	9	10	12
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	15	10	12
" Tail	牛尾	"	30	20	22
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	13	14
" Tripe	牛肚	"	12	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛頭	set	\$1.20	\$1.00	—
Mutton Chop	羊排	lb.	55	23	—
" Leg	羊腿	"	55	23	—
" Shoulder	羊肩	"	53	24	—
" Saddle	羊鞍	"	55	—	—
Pig's Chittlings	豬蹄	per set	5	—	27
" Brains	豬腦	"	22	15	—
" Feet	豬脚	lb.	22	15	—
" Fry	豬油	"	40	15	18
" Head	豬頭	"	24	20	—
" Heart	豬心	each	14	10	10
" Kidneys	豬腰	"	12	10	8
" Liver	豬肝	lb.	52	30	24
Pork Chop	豬排	each	42	25	23
" Leg	豬腿	"	45	—	—
" Loin	豬腰	"	48	28	27
" Fat or Lard	豬油	"	30	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭	per set	90	70	—
" Heart	羊心	each	15	8	7
" Kidneys	羊腰	"	15	12	10
" Liver	羊肝	"	55	25	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	豬仔	"	25	25	25
Suet, Beef	牛油	"	30	20	18
" Mutton	牛油	"	55	25	24
Veal	牛仔肉	"	38	20	19
" Sausages	牛仔肉	"	40	20	20
" No. 1.	牛仔肉	"	32	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	鰱魚	lb.	23	19	24
Bream	鰱魚	"	20	16	—
Canton Fresh Water Fish.	鰱魚(省城淡水魚)	"	—	18	16
Carp	鯉魚	"	—	13	27
Catfish	鮰魚	"	—	12	9
Codfish	鱈魚	"	—	20	25
Crabs	蟹	"	50	23	24
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	22	16	2
Dab	魚	"	65	23	16
Dace	黃魚	"	20	10	9
Dog Fish	鰐魚	"	10	10	8
Eels, Congor	鰻魚	"	32	16	—
" Fresh Water	水	"	—	10	18
" Yellow	黃魚	"	70	26	30
Frogs	鰻魚	"	70	32	25
Garopus	鰻魚	"	70	40	30
Gudgeon	鰻魚	"	24	13	15
Herrings	鰻魚	"	30	22	18
Halibut	鰻魚	"	23	13	23
Labrus	鰻魚	"	36	22	18
Loach	鰻魚	"	80	22	24
Lobsters	鰻魚	"	55	32	21
Mackerel	鰻魚	"	28	20	26
Monk Fish	鰻魚	"	36	32	23
Mullet	鰻魚	"	32	18	2
Oysters	鰻魚	"	30	16	22
Parrot Fish	鰻魚	"	24	14	9
Parch	鰻魚	"	38	20	15
Pike	鰻魚	"	20	16	9
Plaice	鰻魚	"	72	23	14
Pomfret, Black	鰻魚	"	40	26	20
Pomfret, White	鰻魚	"	46	36	30
Prawns	鰻魚	"	70	36	45
Ray	鰻魚	"	16	10	14
Rock Fish	鰻魚	"	35	18	18
Roach	鰻魚	"	38	22	16
Salmon	鰻魚	"	70	36	30
Shark	鰻魚	"	10	8	10
Skate	鰻魚	"	15	7	10
Shrimps	鰻魚	"	55	26	35
Snappers	鰻魚	"	52	32	30
Soles	鰻魚	"	40	23	32
Tench	鰻魚	"	—	23	18
Turbot	鰻魚	"	33	13	36
Writen small fr. water	鰻魚	"	32	20	36

LEAGUE CRICKET.

NO DRAWN GAME LAST SATURDAY.

SPORTING DECLARATIONS.

All eight cricket matches on Saturday (five in the league) were played to a finish. Two senior teams that sportingly declared, paid the penalty in full.

LEAGUE I.

K.C.C. v. R.A.

Rather than see the match end in a draw, the Royal Artillery sportingly decided to close their innings at 155 runs for eight wickets in their meeting with the Kowloon C.C. This decision proved disadvantageous to them, as the home team were able to top this score at the expense of five wickets and thus win the match. "With 80 not out to his credit last week, Hattersley Smith again led in the batting by scoring 58 for the Artillery, this including a beautiful sixer.

Lindell for the home team batted soundly for 45 and also sent one over the ropes.

Royal Artillery.

Capt. Bensley, b. Lyal	21
Ed. Hall, b. Lyal	21
Ch. Chester, c. Ramsay, b. Lyal	3
Major Hattersley Smith, b. Lee	58
Lee	0
Capt. Parkes, b. Lyal	21
Gr. Maddocks, b. Lee	0
Capt. Barrett, b. Goodwin	0
M. Gr. Rough, not out	17
Sgt. Gifford, b. Lyal	0
Gr. Clayton, not out	0
Extras	23

Total (for 8 wks. dec.) 155.
B.R. Rule did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Lyal	20	4	58	6
Goodwin	18	5	50	1
Lee	5	2	13	2
Ramsay	5	0	11	0

K.C.C. 1st XI.

A. W. Ramsay, c. Hattersley Smith, b. Gifford	7
J. C. Lyal, c. Chester, b. Rough	20
R. E. Lindell, b. Rough	45
F. Goodwin, b. Rough	0
Capt. Warters, b. Rough	18
K. R. Macaskill, not out	31
Capt. Morris, not out	23
Extras	19

Total (for 5 wks.) 161.

G. Lee, H. Parsons, B. Petheram and J. E. Hancock did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Gifford	9	1	43	1
Clayton	9	0	37	0
Rough	10	1	49	4
Rule	3	0	13	0

C.R.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

The Chinese were very unfortunate in losing their league match with the University at Causeway Bay by the narrow margin of one wicket. The home team took first knock and Yeoh, partnered by Ng Sze-kwong, gave the side a good start by compiling 79 for the first wicket. After making 14, W. Hung was caught but the third wicket produced a further 46 before Choa left. At 165 for four wickets the innings was declared closed. Yeoh made 11 fours in his score of 58, while Ng Sze-kwong played very cautiously, reaching the boundary on only three occasions. Choa had seven fours to his credit.

The Varsity opened disastrously, losing their first wicket, through being too eager to "sneak," with the total at two. The second fell at four, but Rumjahn and Laing made a stand. The former made 48 before being caught, and the latter 39. The conclusion was most exciting.

With the fall of the seventh wicket the score was 112, but Hoalim and Ng took it to 165 before they were parted. Sling was bowled by the first ball that was sent down to him, and off the next ball Hachuma scored a boundary, thus giving the University the victory by one wicket. Rumjahn hit eight fours, and Laing five.

Scores.—

T. E. Yeoh, b. Hoalim	58
Ng Sze-kwong, not out	47
W. C. Hung, c. Samy, b. Balhatchet	14
C. Choa, run out	32
J. L. Youngsaye, c. Laing, b. Samy	1
H. C. Hung, not out	1
Extras	10

Total (for 4 wks. dec.) 165.

S. H. Young, Cheng Kwok-wai, H. L. Yung, Tse Tak-on, and C. E. Wong did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Shahabudin	11	1	38	0
Lam	5	0	21	0
Rumjahn	10	0	50	0
Hoalim	8	1	15	1
Balhatchet	8	2	22	1
Samy	2	0	9	1

University.

A. A. Rumjahn, c. Yung, b. Ng Sze-kwong	48
H. N. Balhatchet, run out	1
S. O. Shahabudin, b. Ng Sze-kwong	2
D. Laing, c. Yung, b. Ng Sze-kwong	39
A. S. Hett, run out	3
C. W. Lam, b. Ng Sze-kwong	5
D. K. Samy, b. W. Hung	11
A. Hoalim, b. W. Hung	28
B. P. Ng, not out	22
W. H. Sling, b. W. Hung	0
S. Hachuma, not out	4
Extras	8

Total (for 9 wks.) 169.

Bowling Analysis.

Ng Sze-kwong	11	0	42	4
W. Hung	9	1	49	3
Yeoh	3	0	17	0
Young	4	1	14	0
H. Hung	2	0	31	0
Youngsaye	2	0	8	0

C.C.C. v. C.S.C.C.

The Civil Service C.C. 1st XI crossing over to the Craigengower ground returned easy winners by disposing of the whole side for a meagre 47 after they had declared with 201 runs for six wickets.

Fincher (C.S.C.C.) was good for a century. His brother, bowling for the other side, nearly got him in the second over when the ball missed the wicket by a mere fraction of an inch after he had scored five runs. He gave no chances in scoring 91 not out (including sixteen fours) and played a fine game. Lawrence assisted with 43, which included seven fours.

With every hope of playing to a draw, luck deserted the best men on the home side. Sayer beat Fritz and soon after Fincher had his balls removed by Evans. Grimes (22) improved the score a little, but 6 wickets had fallen for 17 runs.

Sayer took six wickets at a cost of four runs each; Hamilton and Evans shared the remaining four for 13. Wallington had two catches, Holdman caught one and stumped another.

C.S.C.C.

F. J. de Rome, c. Grimes, b. Fincher	2
G. R. Sayer, c. Y. Abbas, b. Guest	35
E. C. Fincher, not out	91
B. D. Evans, run out	9
A. E. Wood, b. Fincher	5
F. E. Lawrence, c. Schnepel, b. Hamson	43
H. G. Wallington, b. Abbas	8
Extras	8

Total (for 6 wks. dec.) 201.

E. W. Hamilton, H. F. Harper, F. Baker and F. H. Holdman did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Fritz	4	0	28	0
Fincher	12	1	57	2
Guest	5	1	28	1
A. S. Abbas	10	1	42	1
Hamson	6	0	38	1

C.C.C.

R. C. Reed, c. Wallington, b. Sayer	0
Y. Abbas, c. Wallington, b. Sayer	5
E. Fincher, b. Evans	3
D. Fritz, b. Sayer	0
B. W. Bradbury, b. Evans	0
S. Abbas, st. Holdman, b. Sayer	25
T. Grimes, c. Fincher, b. Sayer	2
W. Guest, c. Holdman, b. Hamilton	5
F. Zimmermann, b. Sayer	4
A. B. Hamson, not out	4
F. Schnepel, c. Evans, b. Hamilton	0
Extras	2

Total 47.

Bowling Analysis.

Evans	5	2	8	2
Sayer	9	3	24	6
Hamilton	5	2	13	2

LEAGUE II.

C.S.C.C. "A" v. H.K.C.C. 2nd.

Playing on their ground in the fixture postponed earlier in the season, the Civil Service C.C. "A" were only able to put together 77 runs against the Hongkong C.C. 2nd XI bowling, for whom Pendered had the remarkable average of four wickets for nine runs, followed by Becher, who took two for nine.

The visitors scored 164 for three wickets, Mackenzie retiring after a good innings with 63 to his credit. He hit 12 fours and a six. All the other batsmen reached double figure scores.

C.S.C.C. "A."

C. H. Beardsall, b. Griffin	0
F. E. Booker, b. Vallack	11
B. C. K. Hawkins, b. Pendered	21
T. W. Carr, b. Becher	0
H. F. Westlake, c. & b. Pendered	18
E. A. Bastin, b. Vallack	18
H. F. Westlake, c. & b. Pendered	5
R. A. Smith, b. Griffin	5
G. G. Edwards, b. Pendered	8
C. Sarg, c. Jacks, b. Pendered	0
W. Sayers, not out	14
Extras	14

Total 165.

S. H. Young, Cheng Kwok-wai, H. L. Yung, Tse Tak-on, and C. E. Wong did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Shahabudin	11	1	38	0
Lam	5	0	21	0
Rumjahn	10	0	50	0
Hoalim	8	1	15	1
Balhatchet	8	2	22	1
Samy	2	0	9	1

Bowling Analysis.

Vallack	10	3	17	2
Griffin	8	2	28	2
Becher	4	1	9	2
Pendered	5	2	9	4

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI.

C. L. R. Becher, b. Hawkins	25
H. J. Stevenson, b. Sara	23
A. K. Mackenzie, retired	63
D. E. G. Nicholson, not out	25
T. D. E. Pendered, not out	14
Extras	14

Total (for 3 wks.) 164.

M. M. Watson, P. Jacks, J. A. H. Plummer, H. Griffin, G. R. Vallack, H. E. Gordon did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Sara	9	0	31	1
Westlake	6	0	36	0
Strange	4	0	27	0
Booker	3	0	28	0
Hawkins	4	0	28	1

UNIVERSITY 2nd v. R.E.

The Royal Engineers caught the University 2nd XI outwitting on their visit to Pokfulam with a trio of bowlers who took ten wickets for 20 runs. Four singles from extras behind the wickets brought the University total to 33.

The R.E., batting first, lost one wicket for 32, and made a total of 134.

The bowling averages are exceptional—Jones, three wickets for a single run; Goodyer, five for 17; Jacobs, two for nine.

R.E.

Sgt. Blondin, c. Vicaire, b. Sling	10
Lt. Col. Hollands, c. Giffins, b. Sling	25
Capt. Bridgeford, b. Giffins	10
Lt. Col. Mackintosh, b. Giffins	0
S. S. Higgs, c. Feh, b. Sling	26
Lt. M. S. Feh, b. Sling	1
Sgt. Diamond, c. Leong, b. Giffins	9
S. S. Kelly, b. Hiplool	14
Sgt. Goodyer, not out	10
Lt. M. S. Jacob, b. Sling	4
Sgt. Jones, run out	0
Extras	16

Total 134.

Bowling Analysis.

Sling	14	0	40	5
Chan Wah	3	0	18	0
Giffins	8	0	58	3
Hiplool	2	0	9	1

University 2nd XI.

E. Zimmermann, b. Goodyer	4
V. F. Vicaire, b. Jacob	9
W. Giffins, c. Kelly, b. Goodyer	1
A. T. M. Barma, b. Goodyer	2
Y. C. Teh, b. Goodyer	0
C. K. Ong, b. Goodyer	0
B. N. Sudan, l.b.w., b. Jacob	1
H. Y. Leong, c. Blondin, b. Jones	11
H. Yeoh, hit wicket, b. Jones	1
J. Chai Wah, not out	1
F. Hiplool, l.b.w., b. Jones	0
Extras	4

Total 33.

Bowling Analysis.

Goodyer	10	3	17	5
Jacob	10	6	9	2
Jones	1.5	1	1	3
Higgs	1	0	2	0

FRIENDLY GAMES.

H.K.C.C. Club Match.

Playing on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground, "Over 30" beat "Under 30" by 27 runs. The highest scorer of the day was "Tam" Pearce (58). He went in at the fall of the second wicket and was out last man. This batting feat, combined with the good bowling form of Cantrell, contributed to the victory.

The juniors lost the second and third wickets with the total at 14. The next wicket fell at 72, and three more dropped with no addition to the score.

Under 30.

Pay-Lt. Hussey, c. Cantrell, b. Powell	12
Lt. Nicholson, l.b.w., b. Powell	0
Mid. Stephenson, b. Cantrell	1
Lt. Halsey, c. Cantrell, b. Beatty	31
H. Owen-Hughes, c. Pearce, b. Cantrell	27
Lt. Sillitoe, l.b.w., b. Cantrell	0
H. V. Parker, b. Cantrell	0
Lt. Wauchope, b. Cantrell	22
F. N. Young, b. Cantrell	4
Lt. Allen, c. Hancock, b. Cantrell	5
Eng-Lt. Bennett, not out	0
Extras	5

Total 109.

Bowling Analysis.

Cantrell	14	1	43	7
Powell	8	0	31	2
Beatty	3	1	25	1

Over 30.

A. W. Hayward, c. Hussey, b. Stephenson	1
E. J. B. Mitchell, c. Halsey, b. Owen-Hughes	28
R. E. H. Oliver, b. Owen	7
Hughes	58
T. E. Pearce, b. Young	77
J. D. Humphreys, c. Wau-	

chope, b. Owen-Hughes

R. Hancock, b. Parker	7
Lt. Col. T. W. Robertson, b. Owen-Hughes	6
Lt. Col. Cantrell, c. Wauchope, b. Owen-Hughes	8
S. A. Arthur, c. & b. Owen-Hughes	1
Rev. T. B. Powell, c. & b. Allen	6
Lt. Com. Beatty, not out	0
Extras	16

Total 186.

Bowling Analysis.

Stephenson	6	1	12	1
Owen-Hughes	15	0	68	6
Parker	6	0	23	1
Bennett	4	0	14	0
Young	12	0	2	1
Allen	1	0	1	1

POLICE v. K.C.C. 2nd XI.

Playing at home, the Police Recreation Club scored an easy victory over the Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI.

Green (31) and (Hallam (23) were the only batsmen in the visiting team to reach double figures.

For the home team, Alexander contributed 43, and King was unbeaten with 30.

K.C.C. 2nd XI.

D. S. Green, b. Lacey	31
A. P. Dand, b. Lacey	7
W. F. J. Gorvin, b. Lacey	0
J. Wicheh, st. Reynolds, b. Grimmit	8
C. W. Jeffries, b. Grimmit	6
C. T. Evans, c. Grimmit, b. Lacey	8
H. E. Hallam, c. King, b. Lacey	23
W. Woolley, b. Lacey	1
T. Whitley, not out	0
J. Hirst, b. King	0
Extras	9

Total 102.

Bowling Analysis.

Lacey	14	1	36	6
Alexander	8	0	18	0
Robertson	2	0	10	0
Grimmit	4	0	21	2
King	2.5	0	8	1

P.R.C.

C. F. Alexander, retired	56
W. E. Meadows, c. Woolley, b. Wicheh	43
Capt. Blaxham, b. Whitley	30
T. H. King, not out	7
A. Lacey, c. Evans, b. Wicheh	10
W. L. Sparrow, not out	18
Extras	18

Total (for 4 wks.) 168.

A. W. Grimmit, A. Reynolds, R. A. Coleman and R. G. Robertson did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

Gorvin	6	1	26	0
Hirst	6	2	27	0
Evans	5	0	34	0
Hallam	4	0	26	0
Whitley	8	3	17	1
Wicheh	4	0	20	2

I.R.C. 2nd v. "HAWKINS."

The Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI, playing at home, defeated a team from H.M.S. "Hawkins" by 91 runs. Kitchell (I.R.C.) was highest scorer with 89, which included sixteen fours.

H.M.S. "Hawkins."

E. A. Binns, c. Madar, b. Suffad	5
O. A. Crabtree, c. Ismail, b. Arculli	0
S. W. Haxell, b. Suffad	11

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A WELCOME MESSAGE.

In greeting the New Year the Japanese Minister for Foreign Affairs (Baron Shidehara) publishes quite an interesting message, which should appeal to a wider circle than those for whom it was primarily intended. He explores in an intelligent, reasoning, and hopeful manner the whole gamut of international relations since the conclusion of the Great War.

He notes that, compared with pre-war days, the attitude of all the nations toward international relations has made remarkable progress; whilst the incessant efforts that the Powers have since exercised for the reconstruction of the world have begun to prove that their efforts were not for nothing. The popular feeling of the world has come to warn of the abuse of military power; to disapprove of aggressive policy; and to wish for the realisation and maintenance of happiness and permanent peace of mankind with the respect for mutual benefit among nations as a principal object. The tendency of the world, as a survey of the great international events of 1925 prove, is to free itself from international strife and to advance to the age of international co-operation.

Although deploring what he describes as the "political shake-up" in China, Baron Shidehara points to the Tariff Conference as a symbol of co-operation and friendship in an endeavour on the part of the Powers concerned to further the welfare and happiness of the Chinese people—further testimony that the Powers, without exception, have no narrow and exclusive policy whatever, but that they are animated by a determination to act in co-operation for the benefit of all concerned.

In regard to Japan, Baron Shidehara speaks of the days when she was apt to be misunderstood by other countries simply because her history, tradition, race, customs, and civilisation are much different from those of the European and American nations. As things have changed, the lofty spirit of the Japanese nation and the achievements that Japan has contributed to the peace and progress of the world have come to be

understood by the Powers. Finally, says the Baron, "we should no longer live in isolation in a corner of the Orient and confine our vision only to our own existence, but it is necessary and imperative for us to bear in mind that we have an important voice in and responsibility for the peace of the whole world as well as for the happiness of mankind."

This is, indeed, a New Year message of a most cheerful nature, which should be most helpful in moulding Japan's foreign policy both in the immediate and the more distant future.

PERVERTED BEATITUDES.

Little is heard these days of the Sermon on the Mount. Leaders in certain classes of political thought, were wont to accept it as the foundation on which they based their line of action. Just as Lincoln's Gettysburg speech is the model of restrained and perfect oratory so is the Sermon on the Mount the perfect sermonising utterance of all time. Happiness of the highest kind is to be the reward of certain people in certain circumstances. The poor in spirit are to be blessed, those that mourn comforted. The meek are to inherit the earth; the merciful to obtain mercy. Peacemakers are specially blessed. What applies to the individual, is applicable to less to bodies of people—to nations. How far the particular tenets of this great Sermon applied to those who heard it, or of it; how far they are applicable to-day, let Theologians and others decide. They have been taken as the basis of some striking utterances by a Filipino professor. And as a professor is nominally considered a person of some education, intelligence and standing, these utterances cannot escape notice. President Comilio, Osiat of the Manila National University, delivering the principal address at the recent 29th anniversary of Rizal day, condemned what he called "world perversion with its attendant religious bigotry, racial prejudice, imperialism, egotism and economic selfishness." A perverted world, according to the president, seemingly is bent upon a revision of the beatitudes for nations. And here are some of those perverted utterances which President Osiat believes are the evils which are the scourge and affliction of the people of today. Established rules of conduct for men and nations are being expressed in modified versions which seem to say: Blessed are the rich and powerful for they can impose their will upon nations small and weak; blessed are those who belong to lighter nations backed up by powerful cannons and destructive instruments, for they consider themselves guardians of darker races who should only serve as pawns to minister unto their whims and designs; blessed are those who for so long have been enjoying freedom because, forgetting the pangs of dependent existence they are not desirous that others may likewise enjoy the freedom that they deem so precious. There is the rhetoric of symbolism in all this which, under the rays of clear analysis, will not bear much investigation. How far the learned President meant his utterances to apply to the situation in the Philippines and to the world at large, only he can say. The market for the knowledge of American politics, would dispute the contention as applying to America and the islands under her care. Can these "perverted" be applied generally? Is the British Empire founded on these allegations? "Racial prejudice," "religious bigotry," "imperialistic egotism and economic selfishness" are terrible things. Pride in imperial expansion may be laid to the door

of the British people, but not these other things. All this sort of talk to which this particular President has given voice, leads nowhere except to the further unsetting of the unthinking, the wilfully blinded and prejudiced. Nowhere except under an enlightened administration believing in freedom and liberty, would they be allowed to be uttered. All of which proves Mr. G. K. Chesterton's contention that the great tragedy of the age is that people have been taught to write (and we may add, talk) and not to reason.

MISSING LEATHER.

ALLEGED THEFT AND CONSPIRACY.

TWO CHINESE CHARGED.

Two Chinese were formally charged at the Central Magistracy this morning with larceny of a quantity of leather.

Mr. E. S. C. Brooks, for the prosecution, informed His Worship that he proposed to add a further charge of conspiracy with intent to defraud against both the defendants.

The case was adjourned for one week.

Mr. J. M. Hall is appearing for the defence.

STREET MISHAP.

CAR COLLISION AT PRAYA EAST.

TWO PEDESTRIANS INJURED.

A collision occurred between a tram car and a motor car near the Naval Canteen at Praya East yesterday morning, both the vehicles receiving damage. The driver of the motor car preceded a tram car going in the same direction and found his way barred by repairs to the road. Another tram car coming from the opposite direction struck the motor car.

Two Chinese pedestrians were taken to hospital yesterday with injuries to head and body. One was knocked down by a tram car at Des Vaux Road West, and the other, a woman, was struck by a motor car near Western Street.

BALLET BEAUTIFUL.

RUSSIAN COMPANY COMING HERE.

Hongkong is to be favoured next Saturday, for an all too short period of three nights, with a visit from a newly-formed company which is known as the Russian Imperial Light Opera Company.

They are passing through here on their way to the Straits and India, and that they are showing here for three nights only is likely to be the one and only cause of complaint that we in Hongkong shall have against the Shanghai Theatrical Enterprises who are responsible for the present Company.

Seldom indeed has a company been formed which includes so much all-round talent. It is no exaggeration to say that the whole of the first magnitude in the theatrical firmament. Practically every one was trained at the world-famous Imperial School of Opera at Moscow.

There is to be one performance at the Theatre Royal next Saturday and two at the Star Theatre on Sunday and Monday, respectively, and the Shanghai Theatrical Enterprises have decided to revert to pre-war prices of \$3, \$2, and \$1. No charge will be made for programmes.

FOUND.

MISSING LADY SAFE.

The "China Mail" learns from the police that the French lady missing from January 8 has been traced and the anxiety which was felt on her behalf has now been dispelled.

The correct name of the lady is Miss Jeanne Lerol. A dressmaker by profession she disappeared from the Astor House Hotel, Queen's Road Central, and no clue as to her whereabouts was obtained until yesterday.

FOUND.

MISSING LADY SAFE.

Messrs. Thos Cook & Son, whose Des Vaux Road Central office was made untenable by the Hongkong Hotel fire, have moved to new premises, namely No. 12, Pedder Street, first floor (opposite the Hongkong Hotel). The local branch of this famous tourist agency is carrying on "business as usual" in every respect despite the interruption caused by the fire.

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

"Globefilled," "low-
ALFRED LORD buried," "purple-
TENNYSON, fringed," "lotus-
fute," "fountain-
pregnant," "summervault,"
"lilygarlands," "brookbank,"
"blueglossed," "blossomwhite,"
"diamond-eyed," "goldencored,"
"cedarshade"—no, these fancy
compounds are not, as might not-
unnaturally be supposed, drawn
from a new language ecstaticimi-
tators. Nor did the Shreds-man
make them up out of sheer joy in
their pie-eyed appearance. They
are drawn from the early work of
Alfred Tennyson, in the "period"
when he was writing "Keepsake"
verses, subsequently suppressed.
Thus we learn that there is
nothing new under the sun, and
that words like "brightwind-
bridled," "steelyringing,"
"strandentwining," "myriad-
landed," "loudatinalaughing,"
"shellcocoacoloring," "peacock-
twittering," have a precedent,
such as it is. The fine rich
earlyvictorian flavour of this re-
surrected vocabulary should con-
sole us for the untimely loss of the
bustle and make us glad that the
Pastor of the Union Church, Kow-
loon, goes out of the beaten track
occasionally, to find material on
which to base a sermon—as wit-
ness his recent effort on a work of
Tennyson.

Edwards, in his
"GENTLEMEN OF 'Jury men's
THE JURY," Guides," re-
cord cases
where three of the jurors were
found with sweetmeats in their
pockets and the court held that,
whether they had eaten them or
not, they were finable—it
being a very great dis-
demeanor. Once a juror
had an orange, but he swore he
carried it only for the sake of the
smell, and so he was excused and
the verdict was held good! In the
same work an instance is given of
a man who struck a
juror at Westminster who
had brought in a ver-
dict against him. This man was
indicted and arraigned at the suit
of the King, and the judgment
was that he should go to the
Tower of London and there re-
main in imprisonment all his life
and that his right hand should be
cut off and his lands seized.

SWEET ALYSSUM.

The Chickadee is so generous
about the garden. Besides help-
ing found its fortunes by giving
us plants—reared by herself—she
was angelic enough to stand in it
to-day and say it "smelled like
Greek honey." The Chickadee
knows all about Greek things; she
has been in an unaccountable
number of queer, delicious places,
so she could tell us exactly what
Greek honey smelled like. I have
always loved the scent of sun-
drenched sweet alyssum, and am
so glad it is like something Greek.
One can just imagine that sort of
honey. Honey as a rule smells to
me merely like honey; a smell
that goes wonderfully, (especially
in the Alps) with rolls; but the
Greek sort must be very different.
For sweet alyssum has a scent
that would go with islands and
blue seas, and stony, classic bits.
In Italy its white masses hang
almost drowsily from adorably-
coloured old walls; over one's head
as one walks the narrow lanes
above Naples, or the steep, cobbled
pathways of the terraced hillsides
at Sorrento; being quite dis-
regarded, and a wild flower that
no one looks at, it is especially
vital there and clutches itself a
firm hold on the impossible. We
used to smell it first, look up, and
then see it. We got so we scarce-
ly needed to look up. "Oh!" one
of us would murmur, sniffing,
"Sweet alyssum!" and there,
perched high, it was; waving
blithely at the tiresome plume of
post-cardy smoke above Vesuvius
(Vesuvius looked so much better
with his head buried in a cloud—
I wouldn't, if I had been, that
Sorrentine alyssum, have waved
at it at all. But then everything
at Sorrento is impossibly good-
natured; those golden-brown eyes,
of the sunny south-brown one
rarely seen further north—
a sunniness alike with smiles.
But the Chickadee is not only

Ever read the
THE CABBAGE Cabbage Patch
PATCH. books by Kate
Douglas Wiggin?
They belong to another age, but
they enjoyed a vogue. K.D.R.
(Riggs was Mrs. Wiggins' name!)
had a pretty wit, as the following
proves:—

20.5.05.
Dear Mrs. Riggs,
May I remind you of your
kindness in promising to visit
my Library on Monday next?
Lunch at 1.30 precisely.
Yours, sincerely,
EDMUND GOSSE.

TO EDMUND GOSSE.
(From a Lady to a Gentleman
who has reminded her that she is
lunching with him on the 21st, at
1.30.)

The critic may forget the book
He lately read with special
zeal;
The mother may forget the
Babe
That's not yet weaned from her
breast.
It may be that the Mandarin
Can't even forget the Sacred Joss,
But black as ink on Mem'ry's
page
Is writ my lunch with Edmund
Gosse.
K. D. R.

TO H. G. WELLS.
(With a Shilling).

(Mr. H. G. Wells was my neigh-
bour at the Author's dinner,
London, 1909. He took me for
the author of "Mrs. Wiggins," but
redeemed himself by lending me a
shilling for carbonic water. I
wrote these lines in a copy of
"Rebecca" and sent it him next
morning.—K.D.R.)

My dear Mr. Wells, do I owe
you a shilling?
It may be yet more, but I vow
I'm unwilling
To pay you your debt, since the
slight obligation
Produces between us a closer
relation.

I send you this book, with the
hope small and faint,
That you will respond to my
passionate plaint
For a copy of "Kippis," with
your name on the leaf.
(My love for that creature is
quite past belief!)

Some hours have passed and
perhaps you're unable
To call up the name of your
neighbour at table.
She rhymes with but is not the
famed "Mrs. Wiggins,"
She is Kate Douglas Wiggin
who married a Riggs.

FRENCH POLITICS.

SOCIALISTS AND THE GOVERNMENT.

A SIGNIFICANT VOTE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Jan. 10.
The Congress of the Socialist Party is sitting to decide again whether it will participate in a Government formed with the other Left Bloc Parties. Such a Government could only be formed if the Left Bloc made a united assault on the present Ministry over M. Briand and M. Doumer's financial proposals and mandates. The Committee of the Congress, which met before the Congress to count the votes from the various Provincial Federations, ascertained that 1,769 voted against participation in the Government and 1,306 for participation. These figures compare with 2,201 against and 539 for participation cast at the similar Congress in August last.

Parliament will re-assemble on Tuesday, when political interest will centre in the Chamber's Finance Committee, which not only will consider the Government's proposals but a joint rival scheme by the Left Bloc Parties, which it is reported, will take the form of a Socialist capital levy.

NOT A PANACEA.

SOCIALISTS AND THE BOLSHEVISTS.

RUSSIA'S CLAIM SCOUTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Brussels, Jan. 10.
At the inauguration of the Socialist campaign of pacifist propaganda at Charleroi, M. Van Der Velde, the Socialist Foreign Minister, after referring to the almost world-wide effervescence at present and the prevalence of Bolshevik propaganda at certain points where Soviet Russia claimed a position as outpost and protectress of all oppressed races, declared that Socialist democracy would be underrating its immense force if it imagined that there was no alternative but the persistence of capitalist domination or universal Bolshevism. He expressed the opinion that, whether it was in Egypt, India, China, or Equatorial Africa, there are possible and necessary transitions between the present regime and the regime and enfranchisement of the coloured peoples.

PEKING CABINET.

NEW MINISTER OF THE INTERIOR.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, January 11.
Cabinet officials state that the Minister of the Interior, Yu Yao-jen, who hitherto has not assumed office, will take up his post to-day. The attitude of C. T. Wang in regard to taking over the Wal-chiao-pu is still uncertain.

TEMPLE FIRE.

FIFTY RODIN TOMBSTONES DESTROYED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, January 11.
The famous Sengakuji Temple, including 47 of Auguste Rodin's tombstones, was destroyed by fire last night.

WAR ON LEPROSY.

NEW VACCINE TREATMENT IN BOMBAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Bombay, Jan. 9.
What is described as a new vaccine treatment for leprosy was demonstrated before the Indian Science Congress by an Indian medical man, Dr. Row, President of the medical section. Members of Congress state that remarkable results were achieved by means of the vaccine, prepared by Dr. Row from tubercle bacilli. Nodules melt and the facial contour is restored by an anesthetic; patches disappear and perforating ulcers heal in four to five months.

SIDE-LINE.

New York, December 15.
William T. Tilden, the world's tennis champion, will play the leading part in "The Kid Himself," a satirical comedy of New York life, which will open on Broadway in January.

Marietta Daw will be the leading lady.

EX-GERMAN RULERS.

CLAIMS BY THE FEDERAL STATES.

ANTI-JEWISH THREAT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Berlin, January 10.
The Legal Committee of the Reichstag are discussing the Democratic motion submitted to the Reichstag before Christmas, authorising individual Federal States to settle claims from ex-ruling princes, as they consider fit without resorting to the Courts. The Right Extremists declare that if the motion is carried they intend to submit a Bill to the Reichstag, demanding the expropriation of property of all Jews who have immigrated to Germany since August 1, 1914.

TRUST SCANDAL.

JUDICIAL ENQUIRY IN AMERICA.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 9.
The Senate Judiciary Committee has begun an investigation of the affairs of the Aluminium Company of America, of which Mr. Andrew Mellon is a prominent shareholder, with the object of ascertaining why no proceedings for contempt were brought against the company under the old decree of the Court.

The investigation, which is inspired by the Opposition, is directed primarily against the U.S. Attorney-General for not bringing proceedings against the so-called Aluminium Trust for failure to obey a Court decree in 1912, permitting the Trust to do business under certain conditions which the Opposition say have been violated.

The investigation also is directed against the Federal Trade Commission which is alleged to have failed to hand over important evidence to the Department of Justice.

"DEVIL WITH HORNS."

U.S. PRESS ON THE RUBBER ENQUIRY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Jan. 10.
"Mr. Hoover is as little suited to go trust-busting as a bald-headed man is to sell hair tonic."

Thus the Democratic organ, the "New York World," on the Minister of Commerce's alleged eagerness to harry foreign monopolies, like British rubber control, while ignoring investigation of the affairs of the Aluminium Company at home.

The "World," in similar strain, cartoons the British rubber monopoly in Republican eyes as a devil with horns, and the Aluminium Trust as an angel with wings. It accuses the administration of being blind in one eye and very proud of its defect, because it is blind to the privileges enjoyed by a domestic trust, which supports it; but ready to attack foreign trusts whenever American "Big Business" wishes it. The paper concludes by advising Mr. Hoover to subsidize.

TYRE TARIFF.

AMERICAN BILL FOR ITS REPEAL.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 9.
Mr. Cordell Hull (Democrat, Carthage, Tennessee) has introduced a Bill into the House of Representatives for the repeal of the 10 per cent. tariff on rubber tyres.

He declared: "The Republican tariff and the accompanying trade restrictions have invited a British rubber monopoly."

BOMB FACTORY.

BENGALIS SENTENCED TO TRANSPORTATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Calcutta, Jan. 9.
A special tribunal found the nine Bengalis arrested on November 10 in connection with the discovery of a bomb factory in the suburbs of Calcutta, guilty. Three were sentenced to transportation for 10 years, four to five years' rigorous imprisonment and two to three years' imprisonment each.

It was stated at the beginning of the trial that the Police had discovered, besides bombs and explosives, a document, addressed to the clerk of a steamer, indicating how the arms and ammunition were being smuggled into India from Singapore and the Far East.

TANG STAYING?

NO DEFINITE DATE FOR RETIRING.

A POLITICAL MOVE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Jan. 9.
The telegram of the Chief Executive, Tuan Chi-jui, mentioned yesterday, was sent out at 11 p.m., according to the secretary attached to the Chief Executive's Headquarters.

The revised version differs from that telegraphed yesterday, chiefly in that it is much more indefinite and does not mention the date of Tuan's retirement specifically.

Tuan Chi-jui requests the provincial leaders to submit suggestions for solving the constitutional problem; and declares that when this is done, he will rid himself of the heavy burden of office and carry out his intention of retiring, which he has repeatedly voiced.

The revised version is regarded in Chinese political circles as a balloon d'essai, foreshadowing a movement to retain Tuan Chi-jui in office.

Feng's New Job.

Peking, Jan. 9.
This afternoon's Cabinet meeting, under presidency of the Premier, Mr. Hsu Shih-ying, which was attended by all the Ministers except Messrs. C. T. Wang, Yu Yao-jen and Yu Hsi-kuei (holders of the Foreign, Interior and Navy portfolios), discussed Feng Yu-hsiang's resignation.

It was decided to accept it and appoint him special Commissioner for the study of industries in foreign countries.

The following appointments were also decided:—

Chang Chi-chiang to be Tupan in the North-West and act concurrently as Tutung of Chahar.

Li Ming-chung to be Tupan of Kansu.

Liu Yu-fen to be Tutung of Suiyuan.

Li Yun-lung Tupan of Shensi and Ching Yueh-hsiao Assistant Director of Military Affairs in Shensi.

British Policy Lagging.

London, January 10.
The "Observer," commenting on the latest developments in China, expresses the opinion that nothing has been seriously at fault with the spirit of British policy—declared long ago—except that it has sadly lagged behind opportunities of making itself practically clear.

The paper notes in this category the delays in connection with the Shanghai episode and the return of the Boxer indemnity. The "Observer" expresses confidence in the British delegation, which sails on January 15, to deal with the latter subject.

Indemnity Enquiry.

Lord Willingdon, when interviewed, said that he was very keenly contemplating his visit to China. He was not able to say how the enquiry would be conducted; nor did he desire to discuss numerous schemes which might probably be considered. But he hoped to obtain the opinion of representative people in China—particularly Chinese. He was glad of the assistance of three Chinese colleagues and trusted that they would succeed in evolving a scheme, which would meet the approval of the Chinese Government and serve the best interests of the country.

Extraterritoriality.

Peking, January 9.
In spite of the political uncertainties, it is officially announced that the Extraterritorial Commission will be held. The opening session is fixed for Tuesday, for the election of a Chairman and Chinese and Foreign Secretaries-General. An address of welcome will be read, to which the Japanese delegate, Mr. Eki Hiroki, will respond.

SUCKED DRY.

PHENOMENAL AFFAIR IN A HARBOUR.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Beaumont (Maine), Jan. 10.
There was an unprecedented occurrence here to-day, when a tidal wave slowly sucked the harbour dry. It then slowly crashed toward the shore, carrying with it 50 unarmoured sailing craft.

The tidal wave was preceded by a deep rumbling sound, but there was no earthquake.

The marriage was announced on January 1 in Lakewood, New Jersey, of Mr. Lewis Andrews, the well-known broker, and Mrs. Mary Hardy, formerly of Beaumont, the daughter of a U.S. Consul.

FORGED NOTES.

POLICE UNEARTH ANOTHER SCANDAL.

ARRESTS IN BELGRADE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Belgrade, Jan. 10.
Another bank note scandal has been unearthed. According to the newspapers the Chief of the Belgrade Detective Force, M. Lazitch, whilst enquiring in Germany into the forgery of 1,000 dinar notes, discovered an illicit press at Bielefeld.

The local police have arrested the alleged counterfeiters.

The discovery is not connected with the Hungarian affair.

HUNGARIAN AFFAIR.

Budapest, Jan. 9.
A long official statement, recapitulating events connected with the bank note forgeries, says that altogether 24 precautionary arrests have been made in Amsterdam, The Hague, Hamburg, and Budapest.

The statement recapitulates the affair and says that the idea originated with Prince Windesgratz, who won over Nadassy, Ladislau, and Gerol. The work was carried out in a cellar of the Institute. Thirty thousand French notes of one thousand francs each were made, not counting the "throw outs." Systematic steps were taken to utter them in Northern Europe and Milan.

The forgeries were discovered in Holland, whereupon steps were immediately taken by the Prince's secretary to stop operations. Plates at the Institute cellar were destroyed and the machinery was smashed up and sold as scrap-iron. All the forgeries not disposed of were destroyed.

Incidentally it is mentioned that Prince Windesgratz's valet surreptitiously possessed himself of seven notes, which had been rejected as faulty. It was the circulation of one of these that aided detection and the unravelling of the whole business.

The statement finds no reason for concluding that the crime was initiated or promoted by any political party or other organisation from patriotic motives.

MEXICO'S LAWS.

FORMAL PROTEST LODGED BY AMERICA.

ASSURANCES VIOLATED.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Mexico City, Jan. 9.
The Department of Industry officially states that it intends to continue the policy of equity and fairness in administering the Petroleum Law. It also intends to invite all oil companies to appoint delegates to a conference at which they may submit objections to the law.

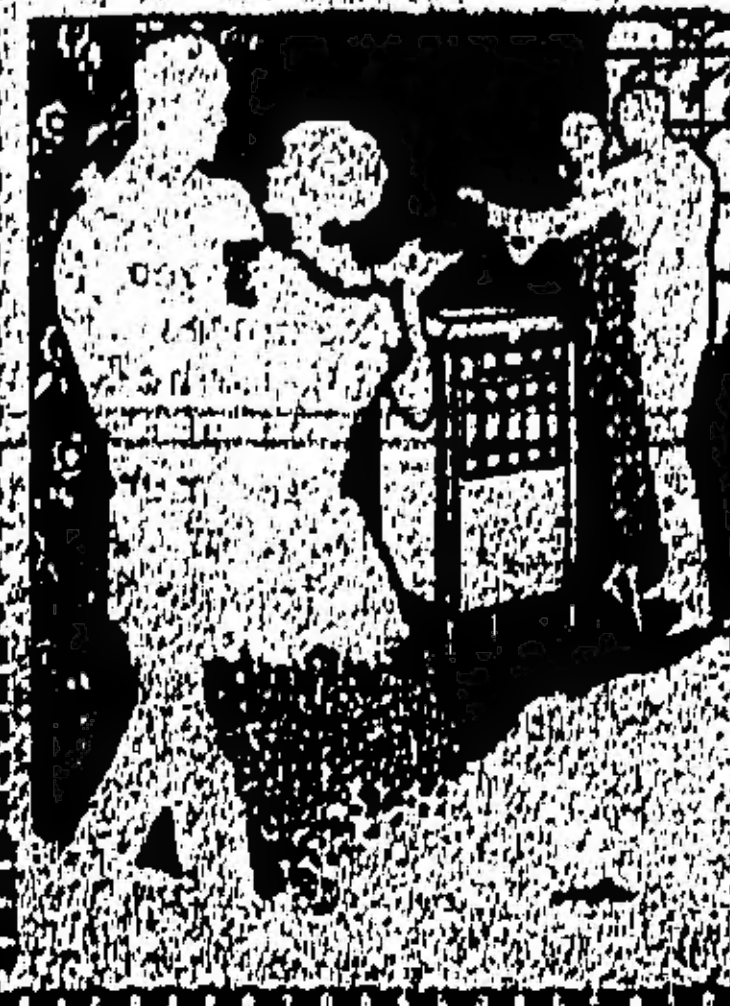
Against Aliens.

Washington, Jan. 9.
The American Ambassador to Mexico has formally protested against the retroactive features in the new Mexican anti-alien Land Law.

Washington, Jan. 10.
The American Ambassador protested to the Mexican Government after prolonged negotiations, which failed to remove certain features from the law. The Petroleum Act is considered to violate the Mexican assurances of 1923 when the United States accorded diplomatic recognition.

The State Department's protest is couched in forceful terms. It points out that the United States previously objected to the application of Article XXVII of the Mexican Constitution.

There is reason to believe that President Coolidge and Mr. Kellogg will adhere to the standing declaration of American policy that the U.S. Government will only support the Mexican Government so long as it protects American rights and complies with international engagements and obligations.



MOSUL PACT.

OPINIONS OF TURKISH MINISTER.

LEAGUE'S DECISION CRITICISED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Constantinople, Jan. 10.
The military leaders and the whole Cabinet attended the Assembly, which approved of the Government's attitude on the Mosul negotiations.

Tewfik Rashedi, in a statement, said that the League of Nations' decision condemning the Turks to submit to a foreign mandate for a further 25 years for the purpose of covering disputed territory from Turkey was illogical and illegal. (Applause.)

Referring to the pourparlers between Mr. Stanley Baldwin and the Turkish Ambassador in London, Tewfik Rashedi declared that much depended on the form and substance of the British proposals. Turkey aimed at an agreement based on the frontier line of Mosul satisfactory to both parties.

[The Council of the League of Nations in a public session, announced on December 16 its unanimous decision to award Mosul to Iraq, making the so-called provisional Brussels Line the definite Turco-Iraq frontier. A proviso is that the Government of Great Britain shall agree to a new Anglo-Iraq treaty ensuring the continuation of the mandate for 25 years. The latter is subject to the reservation that Iraq may be admitted to membership in the League before the expiration of the mandate. As soon as, within six months, the execution of the stipulation with regard to the mandate has been brought to the Council's knowledge the present decision will be pronounced definite, and the Council will indicate the measures required to ensure the delimitation of the frontier line.]

The Turkish delegates did not accept the invitation of the President of the council to attend the session, but a letter from Tewfik Rashedi Bey, the chief Turkish delegate, was received, reiterating the Turkish viewpoint and declaring that Turkey maintained that she had sovereign rights over Mosul. There will be a provision for free economic intercourse between Mosul and Turkish Kurdistan, and a guarantee for the use of the Kurdish language.]

PROPAGANDA NEED.

WHAT BRITISH SHOULD DO IN CHINA.

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London, Jan. 10.
The "Daily Chronicle" considers that the chaos in China admits of but limited opportunities to improve British relations there by dealing with the Central Government such as by means of the present Tariff Commission. It thinks that there is far more hope in the method pursued by the Soviet Government of direct propaganda among the Chinese people. No British propaganda could descend to certain features of the Russian; but, if the British Government cannot afford it, then it would abundantly pay the big British commercial interests in China to combine to do it themselves. It asks why they do not. The paper points out the reduction of British exports to China and says it is a bread and butter question for us.

FEZ OR LIFE?

London, December 15.
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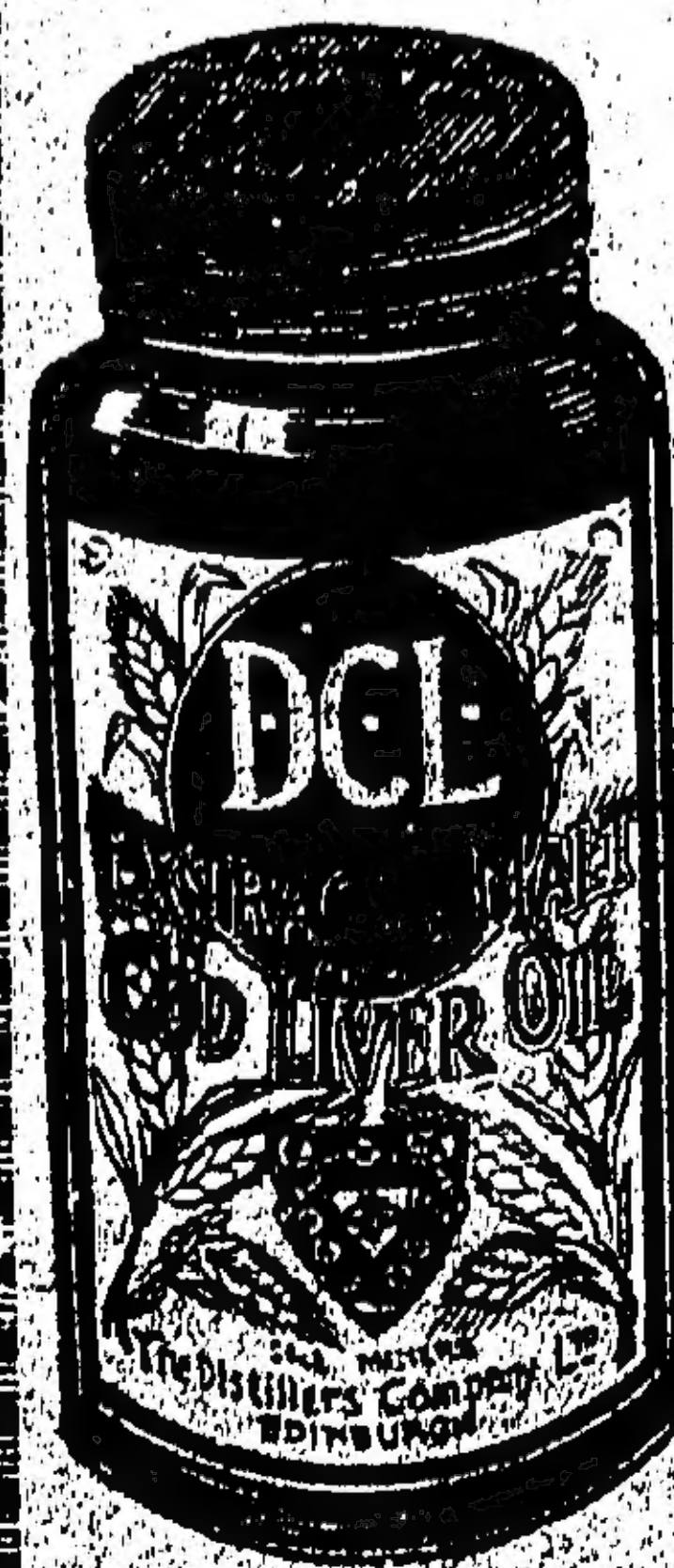
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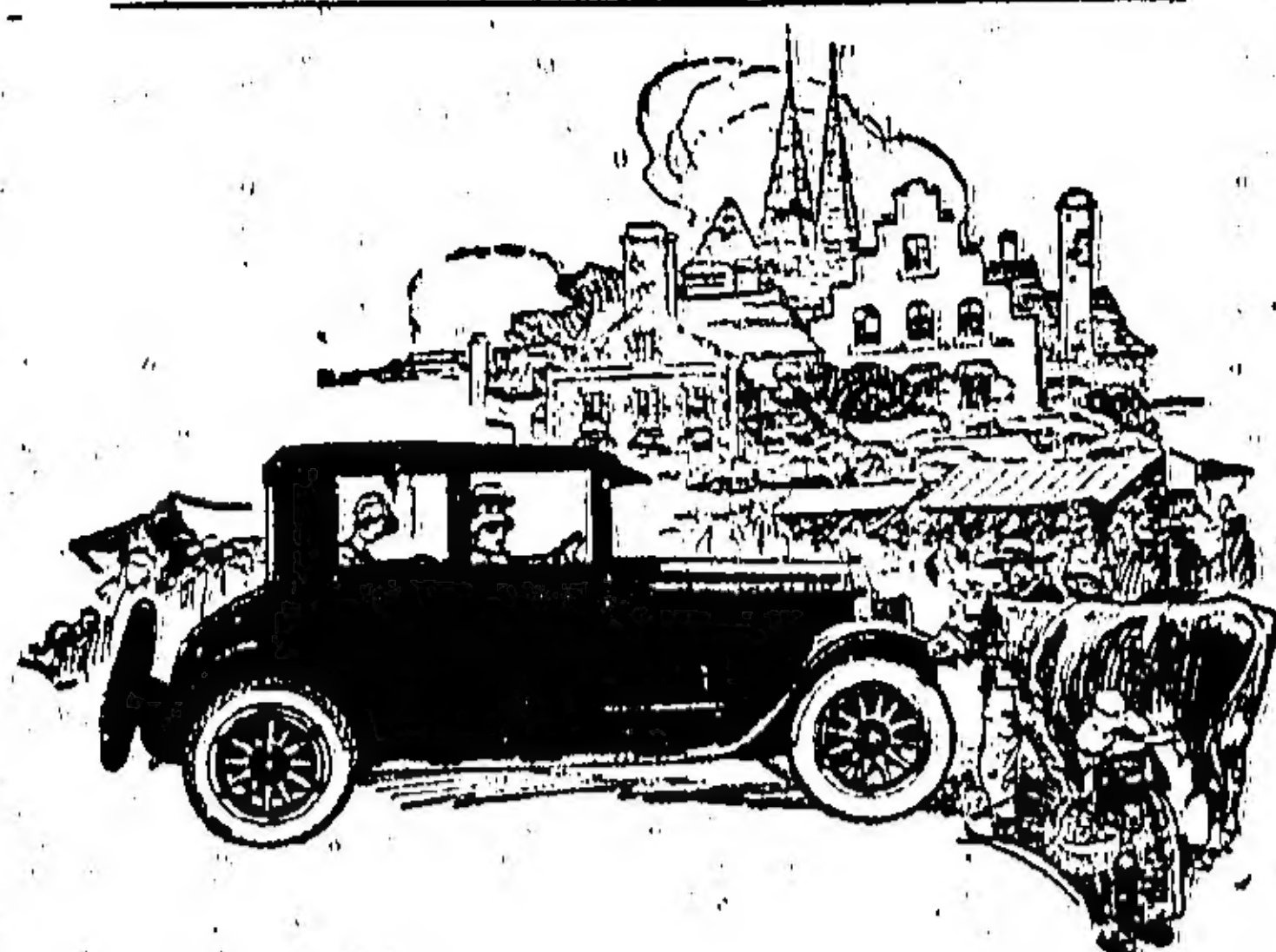
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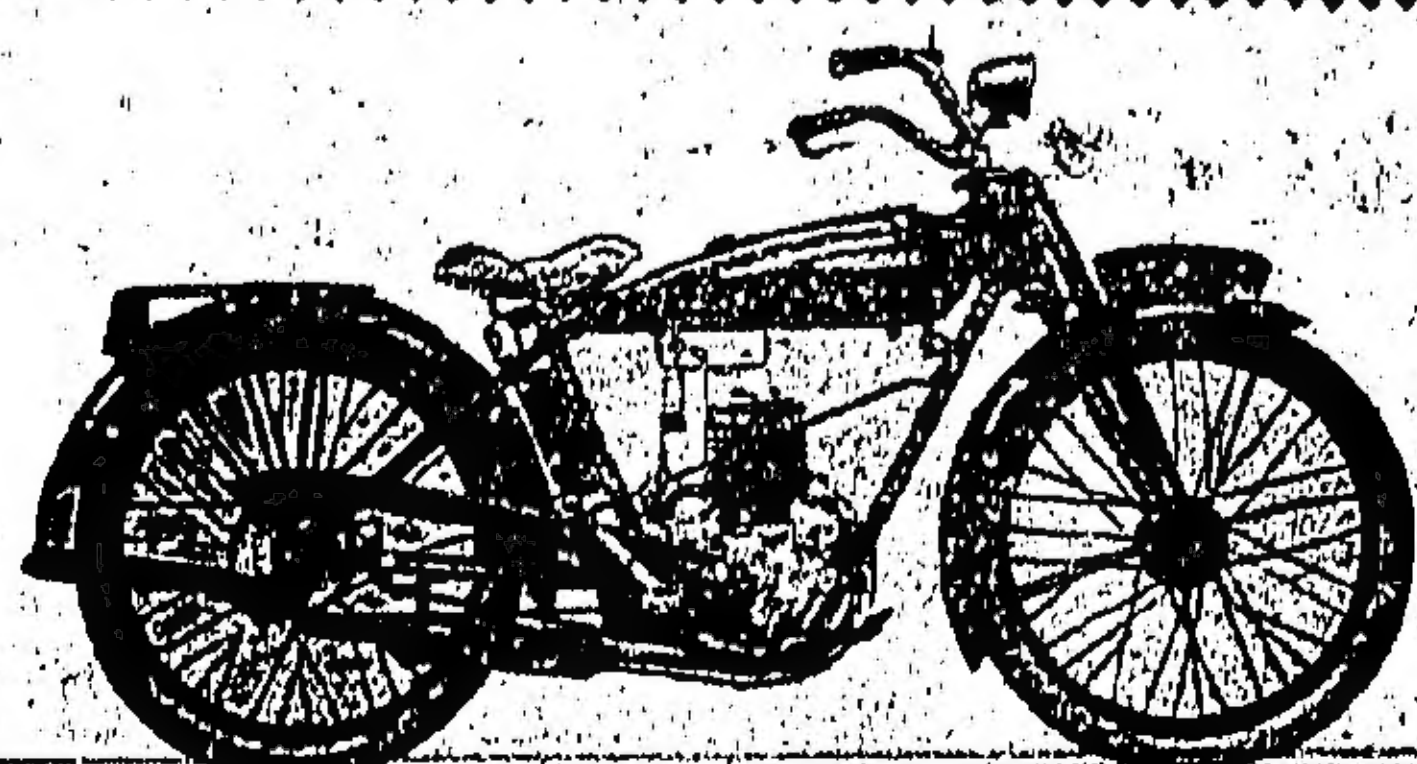
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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"St. Joan" has been drawing
crowded theatre houses in B.M.

Nickel stirrups, now in use in
the Army, are to be replaced by
iron stirrups.

Command Orders state that
the collection on Christmas Day
for the Waifs and Strays Society
realised \$23.53, and that this
amount has been forwarded to
London.

The Committee of Lloyd's
Register assigned freeboards to
539 ships during the year 1924-
25. At the end of June, the total
number of freeboards assigned to
vessels by the Committee, under
the provisions of the Merchant
Shipping Act, 1894, was 24,352.

Suzuki Seijiro, aged 31, an
employee in the Munitions
Department of Yokosuka Naval
Station, who offered to sell secret
military documents to Dr. Jordan,
an American citizen, for \$10,000,
and who was reported to the police
by the prospective purchaser, has
been sentenced by Court Martial
to six years' penal servitude.

Purchased in Shanghai about
sixty years ago, a palatial Chinese
house-boat has been presented by
Sir David Serjeant to the
Libraries Committee of the
Camberwell Borough Council for
the inhabitants of the borough
"as a memorial of one who has
passed fifty delightful years
among them," and it has been
placed in the Art Gallery.

An examination for manu-
script curators will be given by the
Bureau of Civil Service, Manila,
on January 23. Competitors will
not be assembled for the examina-
tion, but will be rated on the basis
of their applications. The re-
quirements are the degree of
Bachelor of Arts, five years' ser-
vice in a public library and fluency
in the Spanish language and local
dialects.

The Nagasaki Press reports
that preparation is being made by
the local association of ex-soldiers
to carry out emergency practices
in the latter part of January
against an air raid on Nagasaki.
The local young men's association,
boy scouts, middle school students,
five brigades as well as the ex-
soldiers' association will partici-
pate in the practice, which is to
be carried out on a big scale.
Lights will then be turned out for
a time, both ashore and afloat.
The raiders will probably be
naval planes from Sasebo.

Warsaw is to have a Wood-
row Wilson Square. The city
authorities have decided to give
the name of the late President to
a square in the new part of
Warsaw, now called Jolibosche.

Prohibition is one of the chief
reasons for the United States
prosperity, in the opinion of
Francis E. Powell, managing
director of the Anglo-American
Oil Company, who has just return-
ed from America. Speaking at
the Old Colony Club, Mr. Powell
said prohibition means that the
money formerly spent on drink
now builds homes and finances
trade.

A posthumous lied and a
minuet by Franz Schubert have
been discovered by the music his-
torian, Otto Erich Deutsch, among
the possessions of a granddaughter
of the composer's brother,
Karl. The lied was written to a
poem by Count Stolberg. In the
home of the descendants of
Schubert's trusted man-servant,
Josef Huettnerbrenner, the his-
torian also found a hitherto un-
known Tyrolean waltz of
Schubert. All three compositions
are to be published in December.

Far away in north-eastern
Siberia, on the frozen banks of
the Aldan River, something in the
nature of a Russian Klondyke has
been discovered. Rich gold de-
posits have been found, and
treasure-seekers from all over the
Union are pushing toward this
wild and inaccessible spot, which
is hundreds of miles away from
any railroad. The journey from
the nearest railroad centre to the
Aldan by reindeer, horse or camel
takes thirty to forty days. The
Far Eastern Bank and the Far
Eastern State Trading Company
send regular supplies of pro-
visions for the miners.

In the course of some clear-
ing up in the old Sadler's Wells
Theatre, London, one of the an-
cient wells was discovered from
which the theatre derived its
name. The well had evidently
been filled in in times past, but the
water had risen over the debris
with which it was choked. It is
known that some 200-300 years
ago, a so-called "Holy Well" ex-
isted on the site which was sup-
posed to have wonderful healing
properties. It was because of the
wells that Sadler bought the
property and attracted the elite of
London by building a "Music
House" and making it a place of
popular resort.

The Kendall Quartette, two
violins, viola and cello, is per-
forming in the F.M.S., and may
pay Hongkong a visit.

Nearly \$25,000 was distrib-
uted to 20,000 members of the New
Tabernacle Sick and Provident
Society at the "share-out" on
December 19.

At a sale of souvenirs in aid
of St. Dunstan's, at Wembley, a
cup of tea realised £2. It was
first purchased for 17/6, but was
again put up for sale. In the end
the auctioneer drank the tea.

In place of the horse who
before his death acted as dinner-
bell ringer at the Crickwood
Home for Horses, a new inmate
is being trained for the duty with
the aid of a carrot as an addition-
al persuasion.

During the past five years
6,000,000 War Medals have been
distributed, but 200,000 are still
unclaimed. Those entitled to them
cannot be traced by the War
Office owing to their having
changed their addresses.

Repairs on Calle San
Vicente, Manila, by the Manila
Gas Corporation have brought a
protest from Chinese merchants
in the vicinity, signed petition
having been received at the offices
of the mayor and municipal board.
The petitioners request the city
authorities to take immediate
action to restore the street in its
former condition.

Sir Leonard Rogers, speaking
at the Guildhouse, Eccleston-
square, said that as a result of
improvements in treatment, it
was now possible to effect a com-
plete cure of leprosy in nearly 50
per cent. of the cases. It had
been estimated that there were
two million lepers in the world,
one million being in China and
30,000 in the British Empire.

The Seventh Annual Fair will
be held in Brussels from April
7 to 21 this year in the halls and
entirely closed park of the
"Cinquantenaire," covering more
than 140 acres of ground. Raw
materials and manufactured
goods both of Belgium and for-
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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. L. Yates left for Manila in
the "President Lincoln" on
Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Goodwin
are passengers in the "President
Grant" which left for Manila on
Friday.

Mr. E. Q. Cooper, of Messrs. L.
Moore & Co., has arrived here
from Shanghai, to-morrow will be Miss
Irene Mitchell of Chicago and
Miss Geraldine Dyson of the State
of Illinois, who were winners in a
contest, the first prize of which
was a trip around the world on the
Dollar Steamship Line.

Mr. H. Bell, business manager
of the Shanghai Theatrical Enter-
prises arrived here on Friday by
the "President Grant" to make
arrangements for the perform-
ance at the end of the week of the
Russian Imperial Light Opera
Company.

Douglas Fairbanks and his
wife, Mary Pickford, have applied
at the federal offices in Los
Angeles for passports to Great
Britain, France, Italy, Holland,
Belgium, Switzerland, Germany,
Japan and China. They said they
would sail from New York on
January 16 or February 2.

It will be interesting news to
theatre goers, writes H.L.H. from
Home to the "Straits Times," to
learn that there is a probability of
their seeing some really first rate
London attractions in the course
of this year. The incomparable
Pavlova contemplates another
Eastern tour. Others who may
make the venture are Mr. Oscar
Asche and Miss Lily Brayton, the
famous pair who made theatrical
history with "Chue Chin Chow,"
Mr. Seymour Hicks and Miss
Ellaline Terriss, now doing well
in "The Man in Dress Clothes,"
Mr. Percy Hutchinson and his
company, and Miss Marie Tempest
and Mr. Graham Browne.

On reaching the Philippine
Islands Major de Pinedo received
a letter from a hundred school
children at Balingtang which
read: "We have never yet seen an
airplane; will you be so kind as to
fly over our school on your way
to Japan?" De Pinedo replied
that he would, and at the same
time informed them of the pre-
cise hour of his arrival. The
Italian airman kept his word,
although to do so meant a further
prolongation of 200 kilometers in
his flight.

A little item which appeared in
the Society column of the news-
papers recently ran as follows:—

The French Ambassador and
Mme. de Fleuryau gave a pri-
vate dinner party at the French
Embassy last night. The
guests included the Belgian
Ambassador and Baroness
Moncheur, the German Amba-
sador and Frau Stammer, the
Brazilian Minister and the
Japanese Chargé d'Affaires.

This was the first occasion since
August, 1914, on which a
French Ambassador in London
has invited his German colleague
to his house. It was not an
official banquet, but it is at least
a sign that the two countries are
at last on the way to burying the
hatchet.



Strumming on her guitar, Loretta
Jefferson Corbett, great grand-
daughter of Joseph Jefferson, daugh-
ter of the patrons and patroness at the
Masked Ball of the Greenwich Club.



Claiming that William Andrews
Clark, brother-in-law of the late
Senator Clark, the copper king of
Montana, refused to marry her after
he had promised to do so, Marguerite
McNulty, a show girl, has started a
breach of promise action for \$50,000.

"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE

LEAGUE SOCCER.

KOWLOON'S REVENGE FROM SURREYS.

CHINESE REFUSE TO PLAY.

South China carried out their threat of not turning out their senior team to play the Police in a league football match on the H.K.F.C. ground on Saturday afternoon.

They maintain that it was their "home" match and, accordingly, they should have choice of venue. Their wish was to play on the Sookumpoo "A" ground of the Garrison Club.

It is stated that the Hongkong Football League management remained adamant. A deadlock was reached and the game did not come off.

Public gossip attributes South China's stand to a desire to play where the "gate" would benefit a certain named charity and not on a ground where they could not rightly take an interest in the collections.

Kowloon delighted their supporters by obtaining their revenge over the Surrey Regiment (league champions). If the infantrymen had won or drawn, their retention of first place for another season would have been more than a possibility. As it is the position is now very open.

The Hongkong Football Club remain near the top by defeating the senior "babes" (Club de Recreio).

South China "A" dropped their first point and Moslem "A" ran up the highest tally of the day, viz., 9 goals.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Division I.	
H.K.F.C.	2 Recreio
Tamar	2 R.A.
Kowloon	2 Surreys

Division II "A."	
Kowloon Res.	6 Recreio
R.A. Reserves	1 South China "A"

Division II "B."	
Moslem "A"	9 St. Joseph's Res.
South China "B"	2 Kowloon "B"

The games South China v. Police, and H.K.F.C. Reserves v. St. Joseph's College were not played, the first-named team in each case failing to turn out.

1st DIVISION.

The Big Match.

In the big match of the day at Kowloon the teams lined up as under:—

Kowloon:—Rasmussen; Wheeler, Reed, Turner, Sims, McKelvie; McBride, Linaker, Cavelle, Duncan, Hayes.

Surreys:—Douglas; Jordan, Cooper; Mitchell, Bristowe, McGreavey; Macklesworth, Butler, Humberstone, Hicks, Charlesworth.

Duncan in the first half and Cavelle in the second, scored for Kowloon, who won by 2 goals to nil.

Club v. Recreio.

Played on the South China ground, the teams lined up as under:—

Club:—G. Rodger; D. Lyon, Bishop, Summers, Stewart, Watson, Brodie, Forsyth, Howard, McBride, Key.

Recreio:—Fernandes; Ogley, Xavier; C. F. Remedios, A. A. Remedios, H. C. Remedios; A. F. Alves, Silva, Rocha, Brown.

McBride found the mark for the H.K.F.C. early on and Howard put on a second after the breather, the Recreio losing by 2-nil.

"Tamar" v. R.A.

In a draw of 2-all, the teams were:—

R.A.:—Stanton; Trim, Noakes; Rachel, Reade, Viccars, Grew, Harris, Pulford, Wilson, Lucock. "Tamar":—Wavish; Smith, Willis; Sandys, Hudson, Regan; Chadwick, Summers, McBrinn, Barker, Rowkins.

Within the first 10 minutes Pulford had put the Gunners 2 up. After half-time McBrinn and Barker equalised.

Div. II. (Section A.)

South China "A" dropped their first point this season, drawing one-all with R.A. Reserves. Lau Kan scored from a penalty and Sargent netted for the R.A.

Kowloon Reserves beat Recreio "A" by 4-2. In the first half Viccars scored for the winners but Grew headed through his own goal 1-1. Spary then scored but

LAI WAH CUP.

NAVY'S ELEVEN FOR SATURDAY.

FINAL WITH CIVILIANS.

The final in the Lai Wah Cup competition will take place this Saturday, (January 16) on the Club ground, kick off at 3.30 p.m. The finalists are The Navy and The Civilians.

In the event of a draw at full time, an extra ten minutes each way will be played.

The following have been selected to represent the Civilians:—Rodger, Wynne, Bishop, Brittain, Stewart, McKelvie, Taylor, Forsyth, Gosano, Howard, Simpson.

The Navy's selection, as announced this morning will be:—Ldg. Sea. Moodie (Hermes), Ldg. St. Grindell (L. 33), L. S. A. Wright (Hawkins), captain.

O. A. Willcocks (Hawkins), Sig. Hudson (Tamar), Mus. Carpenter (Hawkins), A. B. Warren (Hermes), Ldg. Sig. Hyde (Hawkins), E. R. A. McBrinn (Bluebell), A. E. Connor (Ambrose), P. O. Shenton (Hawkins).

Reserves:—A. E. Davenport (Hawkins), Eng.-Lt. Bennett (Petersfield), Corpl. Cobb (Hermes), Tel. Smith (Hawkins). Linesman:—P. O. Smyth (Ambrose).



Alonso Chamberlain, 87 years old, as usual entered the Thanksgiving Day walk in New York. He finished well up among the contestants who completed the trip from City Hall to Coney Island.

"RUGGER" CAPS.

SCOTLAND'S VICTORIOUS FIFTEEN.

(via Colombo.)

London, Decr. 19. The Scottish rugby team against France on January 2 at Paris will be as follows:—

Drysdale (Oxford University); Ian Smith (Edinburgh University); R. Kinnear (Heriots); J. Dykes (Glasgow Academicals); A. Wallace (Oxford University); H. Waddell (Glasgow Academicals); J. Nelson (Glasgow Academicals); J. Gillies (Watsonians); J. Bannerman and J. Ireland (Glasgow High School); D. Davis (Hawick); J. Scott (Stewarton); D. McMin (London Scottish); J. Patterson (Birkenhead Park) and W. Berkeley (Oxford University).

[As cabled by Reuter, Scotland won.]

Perth and Dundee, 2-all. In the second half Kowloon scored through Brown, Viccars, Spary (2).

Div. II. (Section B.)

South China "B" defeated Kowloon "B" by 2 goals to 1. The marksmen were Sang (first half) and Ross (Kowloon) and Fung. Moslem "A" pierced the St. Joseph's College Reserves' citadel four times in the first half, and five in the second, without reply. D. Mahomed (3), Hussein (2), and G. Dullah and Sahban were the scorers.

HOME F. A. CUP.

THIRD ROUND (PROPER) RESULTS.

ALSO THE LEAGUE MATCHES.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 9.

Football matches played to-day (home team given first) result:—

F. A. Cup (Round 3).

New Brighton 2, Wednesday 1. Wolves 1, Arsenal 1. Derby 0, Portsmouth 0. Notts County 2, Leicester 0. Everton 1, Fulham 1. Sunderland 8, Boston 1. West Bromwich 4, Bristol City 1. Tottenham 5, West Ham 0. Chesterfield 0, Clapton Orient 1. Port Vale 2, Manchester U. 3. Hull 0, Aston Villa 3. Sheffield 2, Stockport 0. Clapton 2, Swindon 3. Southampton 0, Liverpool 0. Notts Forest 1, Bradford City 0. Newcastle 4, Aberdare 1. Plymouth 1, Chelsea 2. Northampton 3, Crystal Palace 3. Accrington 0, Bolton 1. Wigan 2, Stoke 5. Birmingham 2, Grimsby 0. Cardiff 2, Burnley 2. South Shields 3, Chilton 0. Charlton 0, Huddersfield 1. Rotherham 2, Bury 3. Corinthians 3, Manchester City 3. Blackburn 1, Preston 1. Blackpool 0, Swansea 2. Bournemouth 2, Reading 0. Middlesbrough 5, Leeds 1. Millwall 1, Oldham 1. Southend 5, Southport 2.

Division III (South).

Bristol Rovers 2, Norwich 2. Gillingham 1, Brentford 3.

Division III (North).

Bradford 3, Nelson 0. Durham 1, Crewe 1. Halifax 0, Ashington 0. Hartlepool 4, Lincoln 2. Tranmere 1, Doncaster 0. Walsall 5, Wrexham 1. Coventry 2, Barrow 0.

Scottish League.

Celtic 1, Raith 0. Clydebank 1, Motherwell 1. Cowdenbeath 2, Aberdeen 1. Dundee 1, St. Mirren 1. Falkirk 1, Dundee United 1. Hamilton 3, Rangers 3. Hearts 4, Queen's Park 2. Morton 1, Kilmarnock 2. Partick 2, Hibernians 1. St. Johnstone 3, Airdrieonians 7.

WORLD CRICKET.

MATCH PLAYED UNDER PROTEST.

IN THE SHEFFIELD SHIELD.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, January 9.

In the Sheffield Shield, Victoria defeated South Australia by 287 runs.

Victoria scored 232 runs (Woodfull 97; A. Richardson 34 wickets for 40).

In the second innings Victoria scored 604 (Hendry 59, Ryder 95, Woodfull 236 and Ransford 55).

South Australia scored 462 (V. Richardson 56, Rymill 124, and Alexander 133).

In the second innings, South Australia scored 37, Hendry taking 6 wickets for 30.

Thursday and Friday there was no play, owing to rain.

South Australia played, under protest to-day, V. Richardson, the captain, pointing out that the wicket was covered contrary to the laws of cricket.

M.C.C. Tour.

Barbados, January 9.

There were 2,000 persons present to witness the second day's play in the First Test between the M.C.C. and West Indies. The weather was fine, and the batsmen had a good wicket.

The M.C.C. declared the innings closed with the score 697 for 8 wickets. Hammond scored 238 not out, Capt. T. O. Jameson 98 and Astill 66.

The West Indies had obtained 76 runs without loss when stumps were drawn.

RUGBY CUP-TIE.

NAVY AHEAD, BUT CLUB VICTORIOUS.

SPLENDID FIRST GAME.

Loading in the first half and then falling into arrears, the Hongkong Football Club (rugby section) defeated the Royal Navy on Saturday in the first match of the annual triangular rugby tournament by 8 points (a goal and a try) to 6 points (a penalty goal and a try).

Club:—H. J. Armstrong; F. J. Easterbrook, E. P. Stewart, J. Skinner, G. P. Lammert; J. Morrison, L. P. Ralph; R. W. Lee, H. R. Forsyth, J. Foster, Middleton Smith, Lithgow Smith, J. O'Connor, H. Beveridge, R. Millar.

Royal Navy:—Tel. Mortimer (Ambrose); P. O. Cowley (Ambrose); Lt.-Com. Lyle (Hawkins); E. R. A. Tinker (Hermes); E. R. A. Rothwell (Submarines); Mid. Rowe (Hawkins); E. R. A. Northwood (Submarines); Lt.-Com. Bower (Hawkins); Lt. Garnon-Williams (Hermes); Lt. Windeyer (Ambrose); Sub-Lt. Sherwood (Submarines); Sub-Lt. Venker (Hawkins); E. R. A. McTaggart (Hermes); A. E. Acott (Submarines); Sto. Stafford (Submarines).

Referee:—Mr. G. G. N. Tinson. The Navy kicked off and play settled down at mid-field, the exchanges being pretty even. Good heeling by the Club forwards gave their "threes" a good service, and they were soon on the offensive, but the handling and passing was not of the best, and many a good scoring chance was lost. For a long time the Navy could not get away from their own half but a smart run by Rothwell brought relief. Lammert saved his forwards time and again with good kicking which always found touch. Both "picks" were playing a good, hard game, and no quarter was given.

In the tight the Club eight were securing possession in nearly every scrum and Ralph saw that his "threes" got plenty of the ball, but nothing came of it, something always went wrong, and it was a close call when Tinker intercepted a slow pass and got well away, luckily for the Club his pass to Rothwell went wide which allowed Stewart to relieve with a kick to touch.

The Navy forwards got moving and carried the ball to the Club line where they lost possession. The scrum that resulted saw their "threes" on the move, but their hopes of scoring were shattered when Lammert cleverly intercepted. Outpacing the opposition, it was a beautiful effort, as he ran practically from his own line, and his turn of speed showed up to advantage. Millar kicked a good goal.

Hard play followed; the Navy going all out for a score but the defence of the Club held out. A stoppage to allow Lammert and Acott to recover came as a welcome breather. Mortimer was playing a sound game at back, his fielding and kicking being of great service to his side.

Half-time: Club 1 goal (5 points), Navy nil.

On resuming, the Navy kept up the attack and looked like scoring, the Club line being often in danger. It was only the good defence which kept the "blues" from crossing the line. At this point Rothwell became "crooked" and was of no further service to his side as an attacking force. This was unfortunate for the Navy as time and again, their "threes" got away, and a sound wing man would have been very useful. In spite of his handicap, Rothwell defended well and got in some clever kicks to touch.

This misfortune, however, did not hinder the Navy attack. Tinker again intercepted but was laid low a few yards from the line. Then Northwood secured possession and was all but in when Armstrong tackled him. Northwood, although playing a good game, was inclined to hang on to the ball too long, with the result that he was often tackled when in possession. From a penalty in good position, Mortimer dropped a fine goal and reduced the deficit.

The Navy forwards were now on top and were securing the ball oftener in the scrum, and gave nothing away in the loose. During some scrappy play near the Club line, Stafford broke away and had no difficulty in scoring; the kick at goal failed. The Club were now a point behind and attacked with great spirit, Lammert being well to the fore and giving his side every encouragement. They were awarded a "free" in good position; Stewart's kick falling short often bar. Tinker fielded and relieved with a nice kick to touch. But the Club was not to be denied. When tackled by Rothwell, Lammert smartly passed to Forsyth who romped over at the post; Millar's kick at goal went off the mark.

The Club were now going

"WHITE WINGS."

CLUB v. ROYAL NAVY RACES.

R.H.K.Y.C. DEFEATED.

In return for a previous defeat, the Royal Navy won from the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday in two series of sailing races.

On points scored for positions gained the results were:—

MORNING. The start was made at 11 a.m. from the Club line west to east, Lyemun Beacon, Channel Rocks, and finish at H.M.S. "Titania," a distance of 3.6 miles.

Club:—Bluenose (H. E. Easterbrook) 17, Why Wonder? (Lt. Col. Gunn) 14, Sealark (E. B. Reed) 13, Daphne (Capt. T. Arthur) 11, Gael (R. M. Jack) 6, Lola (H. J. Pearce) 5, Lysbeth (A. J. Shields) 2, Thecla (R. J. Dixon) did not finish—total 68 points.

Royal Navy:—Adanac (Sub-Lt. Thring) 15, Joan (Lt. Garwood) 12, Adele (Lt.-Com. Barracough) 10, Pierrette (Lt.-Com. Bower), Boojum (Surg. Lt. Brown) 8, Halcyon (Lt. Windeyer) 7, Alisa (Lt.-Com. Crane) 4, Viking (Lt. H. Clutton) 3—Total 63 points.

AFTERNOON. The course was from H.M.S. "Titania," west to east, Channel Rocks, Lyemun Beacon, Cust Rock buoy and finish at the Club line, west to east, a distance of 7.6 miles.

Club:—Adanac (C. E. L. Grist) 13, Alisa (H. S. Rouse) 12, Boojum (H. J. Armstrong) 9, Halcyon (Lt.-Col. V. Coates) 7, Joan (A. F. Ritchie) 6, Pierrette (F. G. Vaux) 5, Viking (F. P. Lenfestey) 2, Adele (F. Oliver) retired—total 54 points.

Royal Navy:—Bluenose (Lt. King) 17, Sealark (Lt. Mande) 15, Why Wonder? (Sub-Lt. Vereker) 14, Daphne (W. Moir) 11, Gael (Com. Ratsey) 10, Thecla (Lt. Gibbon) 8, Lysbeth (Lt. Gardner) 4, Lola (Commodore Stirling) 3—total 82 points.

Grand total:—Navy 150, Club 122.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP. The sixth of the series of championship races at the R.H.K.Y.C. on Saturday produced some very enjoyable sailing. There was a good turn out of boats and conditions were fine. The wind remained at from force three to four all the afternoon. From the Yacht Club the boats were sent to Channel Rocks, Kowloon Rock, Lyemun Beacon, Club line and Cust Rock Buoy with the finish at the Club from west to east.

"Colleen" scored a very meritorious win in the Handicap class, with "Falcon" second and "Argulla" a very good third. "Daphne" won in the combined Gael and One Design class, "Gael" losing by less than a minute. But for the timely manoeuvring of a steamer "Gael" would undoubtedly have saved her time, and so scored three successive wins. "Joan" took third place.

"Boojum" won with comparative ease in the Feyward Hays class with "Glady's," sporting her new name of "Why Wonder?" second and "Adanac" her consistent third.

On points "Colleen" now has a substantial lead in the Handicap class, with "Daphne" leading in the Gaels and One Designs and "Why Wonder?" in the Feyward Hays.

Handicaps. Hcp. Fin. h. Cor. Place. on ing. reted. Time. Course.

Diana 126 008.01 005.35
Rolla scr. 009.34 003.34
Colleen Ist. 7.53 010.14 002.21
Falcon 2nd. 7.10 011.32 004.27
Argulla 3rd. 0.10 015.47 006.28
La Li di 5.44 010.38 013.54
Dorothea 0.10 022.20 013.01

Heyward Hays.
Boojum scr. 036.11
Why Wonder 4.38 37
Adanac 3rd 4.30 03
Sealark 4.30 11
Adele 4.30 52
Bluenose 4.49 55
Lysbeth 0.43 04 49 49

Gaels and One Designs.
Daphne Ist. 4.30 31 4.40 31
Gael 2nd 3.35 4.31 56 4.31 21
Joan 3rd 2.52 4.36 47 4.33 45
Pierrette 4.18 4.38 10 4.33 52
Mee Sing 4.35 4.43 30 4.39 55
Thecla 7.10 4.44 51 4.37 42

strong, and now that they had regained the lead, never looked like losing it.

There was not a great deal between the sides, but victory went the right way. Both sets of forwards played a hard game and were well matched. Lammert, Stewart, Foster, and Armstrong were all invaluable players for the Club, while Mortimer, Tinker, and Northwood were of great service to their side. It would have paid the Navy to have put Rothwell into the pack when he was crippled, and let one of their fast forwards take the wing. It was a keenly fought contest and provided an exciting afternoon's sport to the many spectators who were present.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

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HONGKONG, JANUARY 11, 1926. 10.30 A.M.

Name.	Hongkong Stock Exchange	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association	Share & Real Estate Brokers' Society
T.T. on London	2 1/4	2 1/4	2 1/4
T.T. on Shanghai	76 1/4	76 1/4	76 1/4
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	1060 b.	\$1070 n.	\$1050 b.
do. London	\$120 n.	\$21 n.	\$12 1/2 n.
Chartered Bank	\$21 n.	\$21 n.	\$21 1/4 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.
do. C.	\$13 1/2 n.	\$13 1/2 n.	\$13 1/2 n.
P. & O. Bank	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.	\$20 1/2 n.
Bank of East Asia	\$85 n.	\$80 n.	\$80 n.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	500 b.	600 n.	\$600 n.
China Underwriters	234 n.	230 n.	2 n.
North China Insurance	T 145 n.	T 140 n.	T 140 n.
Union Insurance	253 b.	254 n.	\$253 n.
Yangtze Insurance	35 b.	36 b.	36 s.
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	165 b.	165 b.	\$200 n.
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 s.	600 n.	590 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	15 b.	32 b.	35 s.
Hongkong Steamboats	24 b.	24 s.	23 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	4 1/2 n.	4 1/2 n.	37 n.
Indo-China (Pref.)	38 n.	30 n.	65 s.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	53 1/2 n.	—	—
do. () Hk.	53 1/2 n.	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	\$250 n.	250 n.	97/6 b.
Shell Transport	90 1/2 n.	97/6 b.	\$58 b. 60 s.
Star Ferries	\$62 1/2 n.	\$62 1/2 n.	15 b.
Water-borne	16 b.	16 n.	—
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Malayan Sugars	48 n.	35 s.	50 s.
Mining.			
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Kailan Mining Ad.	45 n.	134 1/2 n.	T 34 s.
Langkats (Combined)	T 33 1/2 s.	21 n.	—
do. (Single)	20 n.	5 1/2 n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	5.45 n.	8 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
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Tronoh Mines	\$5 1/2 n.	60 n.	71 n.
Ural Caspian	8 n.	—	—
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Godowns, &c.			
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H.K. & W. Docks	56 b.	56 b.	56 b.
Hongkows	T 165 b.	T 7 b.	T 165 b.
New Engineering	7 b.	7 b.	7 b.
Shanghai Docks	114 n.	114 b.	112 b.
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do. (new)	—	—	—
Hongkong Lands	68 1/2 n.	66 1/2 s.	66 s.
H.K. Realty	5 b.	5 b.	5 b.
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President Coolidge, purchasing his annual supply of Christmas seals. Adrienne Mayer, who made the sale, delivered seals to Taft, Wilson and Harding when they were in the White House.



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SALUTE TO LOST CREW OF "M.I."

British bluejackets from H.M.S. "Maidstone" fired a last volley to the officers and crew of the submarine M-1, which went down with all aboard off Saint Point, Devon.



Togo, the Rotterdam Seamen's Mission dog, who was born on the Menin Road and was with the French troops at the Remount Depot, attended the services held in honour of the British war dead in the cemetery at The Hague.



Hundreds of thousands heard Edith Baxter and Reginald H. Parry, standing before the "micro," promise to love and honour each other as they were wedded and the service broadcast over the radio.



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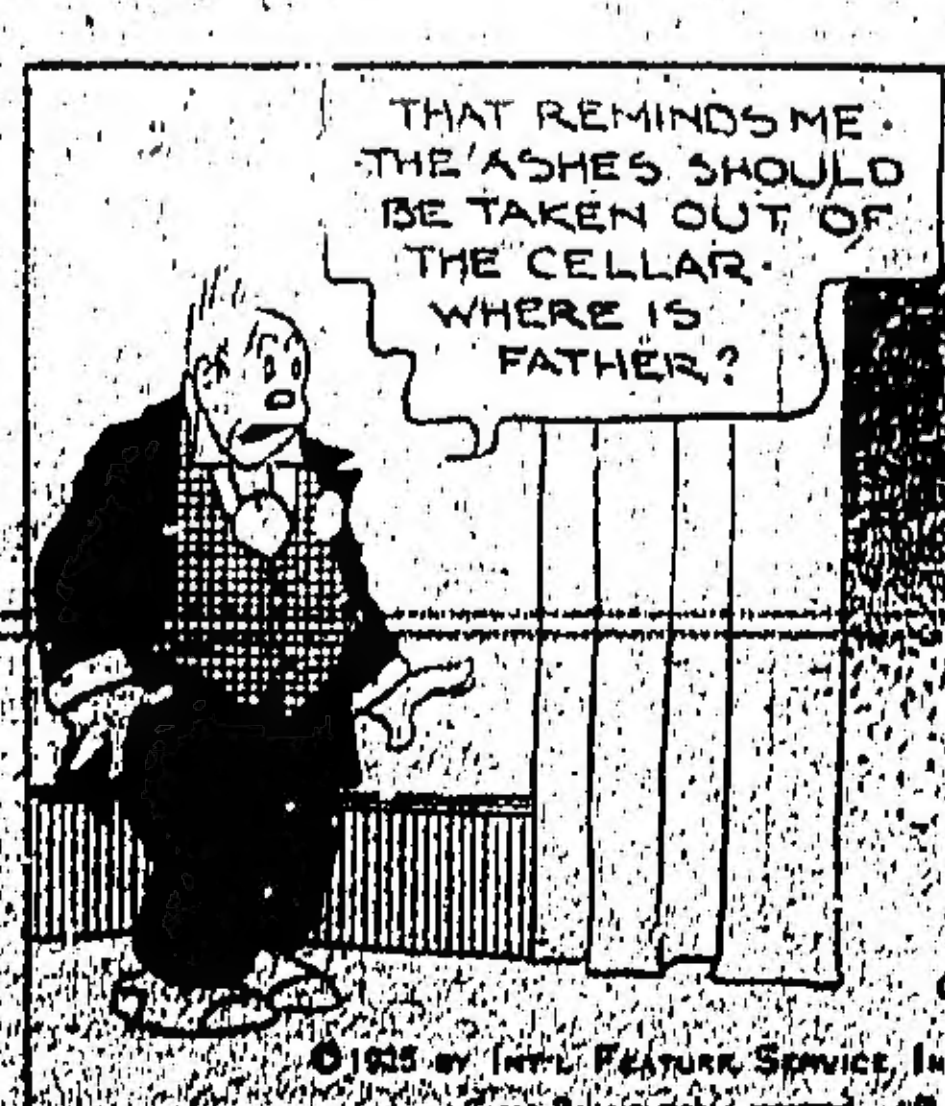
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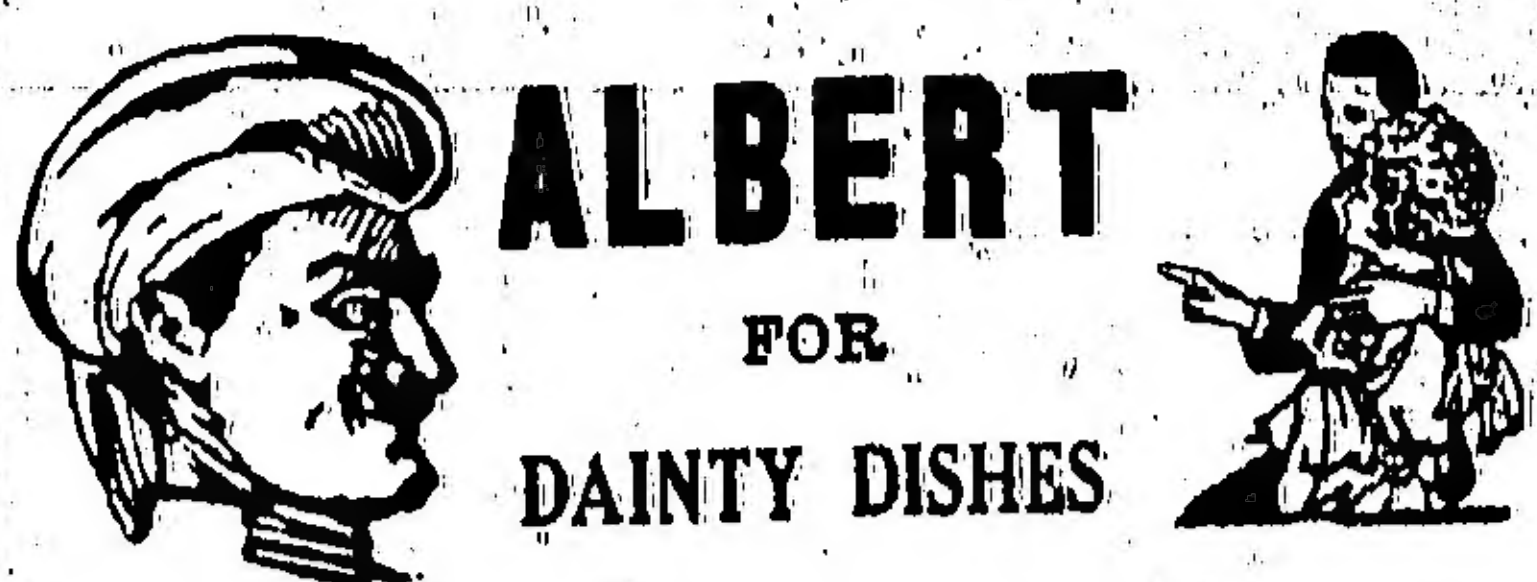
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BANK NOTE SCARE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 9.
Amid a welter of accusations in the European Press against the Hungarian Government, the Regent Admiral Horthy and other prominent personages in connection with the bank note affair, and scare stories of a widespread plot to reshape the map of Europe, the "Times," in a leader, utters a warning note.

The "Times" says impartial opinion in Britain will reserve judgment until the facts have been disclosed, while it is realised extremist leaders will stop at nothing in furtherance of their political aims.

No evidence has hitherto been produced implicating the Hungarian Government whose belief, that the scheme was really a plot to fill the pockets of criminals who got the aid of certain credulous Royalists with a view to giving it "Times" to be less improbable an explanation than the reckless stories broadcast all over Europe.

The "Times" says that were there substantial grounds for the belief that the Hungarian Government is not loyally carrying its undertakings to combat the efforts in favour of the Hapsburgs the Great Powers would have to take action, but there is reason to hope investigation will reveal that such action will not be necessary.

[The circulation at the Hague of a quantity of forged 1,000 franc French bank notes, apparently produced in Hungary, led to the arrest of two Hungarians in Holland, also the arrest at Budapest of the private secretary and valet of Prince Louis Windischgrätz, who is ex-Minister of Supplies. A further sensation was caused by the arrest of the Prince himself, who is a Privy Counsellor and a member of one of the most distinguished families in Central Europe. According to the curiously worded official statement, the forgeries were executed not for reasons of personal gain but assumed patriotic grounds. The Minister of the Interior ordered an interrogation of certain officials in the State map printing office.]

Nineteen Prisoners.

Budapest, January 9.
There are now nineteen persons arrested and accused of complicity in the bank note affair.

According to the newspapers, the police, acting on the information of officials, have interrogated Halls, former Chief of the Cartographical Institute, who has been kept under arrest.

Alphonse: "I am learning zee language very fast. Zee teetle boy zere a-spinning heels top. He is a spinster, em?"

AGAINST GRANTS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Jan. 9.
President Coolidge has expressed the opinion that there is no occasion to adopt the suggestion for a grant of Government loans to develop American owned rubber growing in the Philippines and elsewhere.

He is further convinced that the interests concerned have adequate funds for such purposes.

As an outcome of the rubber restriction scheme in British Malaya and Ceylon, American rubber manufacturers are seeking to develop American rubber resources so as to make the United States independent of Britain in this respect.

HOLED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, Jan. 8.
The "Yamato Maru," bound to Fremantle from Singapore, struck a rock in the Banca Straits.

The vessel was holed and is making 15 tons of water an hour in the engine room.

The captain has sent out a wireless message that he hopes to make Singapore.



Fred Du Bry, San Francisco chemist, claims to have found a cure for the drug habit in "curare," the extract of a plant found in the Orient. His claims have been endorsed by physicians who have seen him work wonders with supposedly hopeless addicts.

TOKYO STIRRED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, January 9.
This morning's papers give prominence to the Brazilian Ambassador's "outrage," which is regarded not only as causing bodily injury and interfering with the police in executing their duty, but also as disrespect to the Imperial procession by a diplomat who should have known better.

The "Kokumin" and other papers recommend that Mr. Delmae Silva be recalled by the Brazilian Government.

Though the Ambassador has not yet explained his action it is believed that his lack of knowledge of the language was partly responsible for the incident.

It seems that the police prevented the angered crowds from mobbing the Ambassador whose identity was not at first known.

[The Brazilian Ambassador attempted to cross the road along which the Regent was about to pass to the Palace after the annual troop review. Bystanders remonstrated, whereupon the Ambassador struck out.]

Apology Not Offered.
It is learned from the Foreign Office that the Brazilian Ambassador, Mr. De Lima Silva has sent to Baron Shidehara, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, his own written account showing that the language difficulty was partly responsible but making no apology.

It is understood that the Government has decided not to take up the question diplomatically, but has forwarded letters to the metropolitan police with a request that they treat the matter as between themselves and the Ambassador.

CHANG TSO-LIN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, Jan. 9.
Reports from Mukden regarding Chang Tso-lin's resignation are contradictory, the "Asahi" special correspondent averring that the warlord has decided not to retire and the "Hochi" representative declaring that he is retiring with his son immediately.

Official reports have not been received.
A Foreign Office spokesman stated that even if Tuan Chi-jui retires, resulting in both the customs and extraterritoriality conferences being postponed, Japan does not intend to withdraw her delegates, but instead to leave them to exchange informal views with the other Powers' delegates pending the establishment of a stable government.

It is understood that Japan will withhold recognition of the new Chinese Ministry until and unless she is satisfied that it is firmly established.

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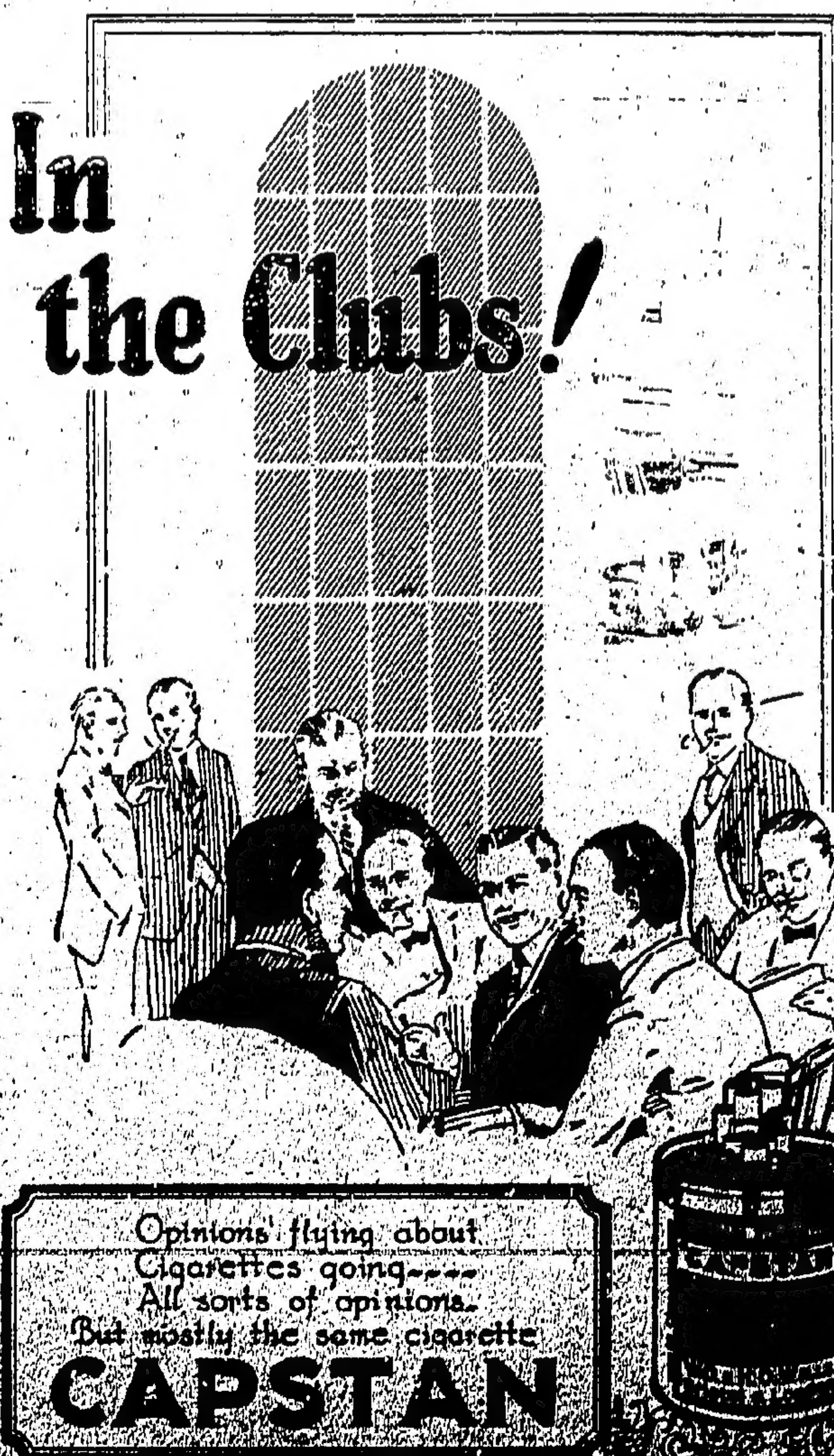
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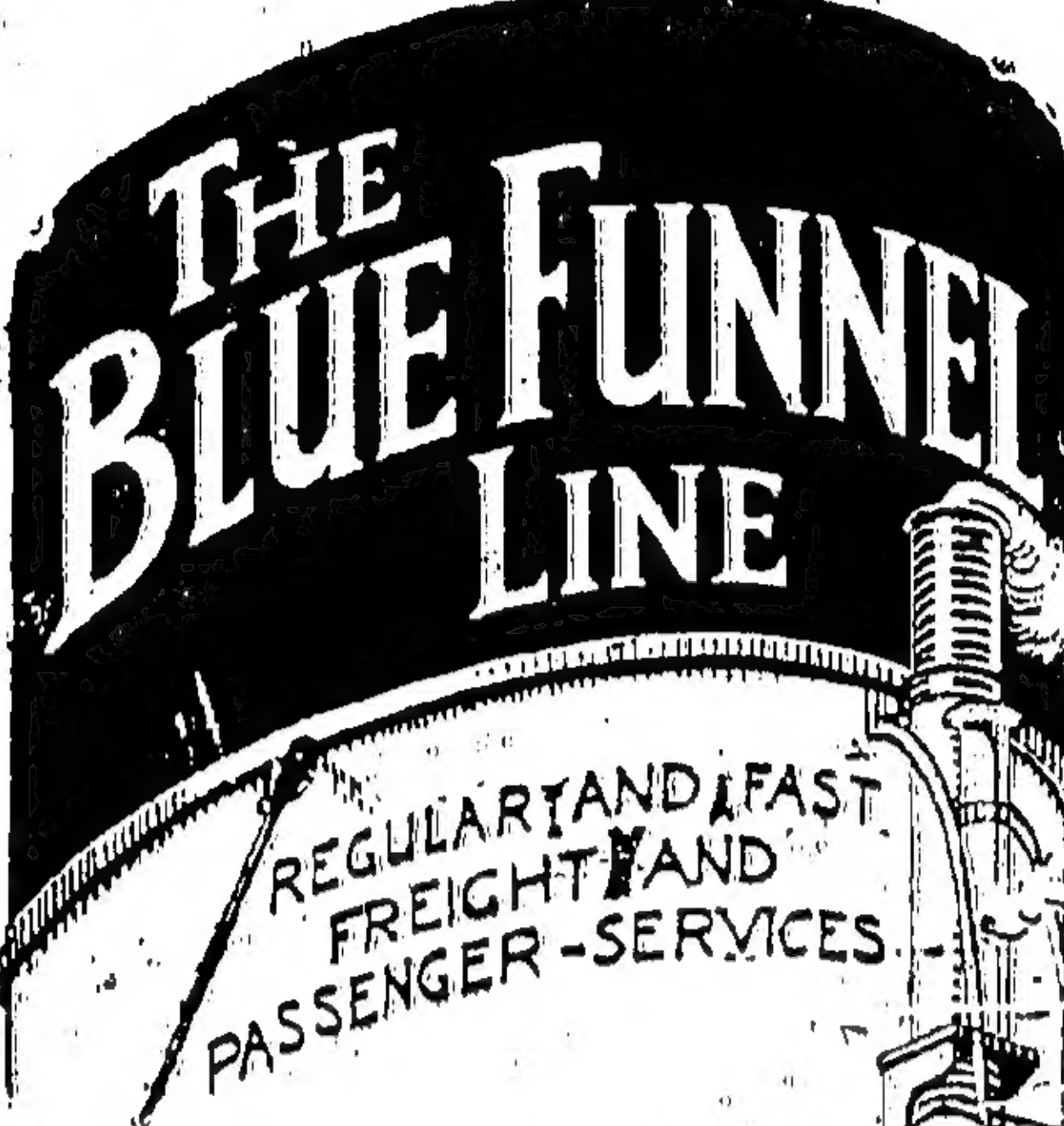
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The Parcel Post Service to Canton is resumed.

Intercepted Radio Telegrams are subject to delay.

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INWARD MAILS.

FROM	TO	DATE	TIME
Shanghai	Antenor	TUESDAY, JANUARY 12	
Straits	Bakone Maru		
Shanghai and Europe via Singapore	Yinchoy		
Shanghai and Europe via Singapore	Nowehang		
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13			
Straits	Santhia	THURSDAY, JANUARY 14	
Straits	Hymettos		
Straits	Kwangchow		
EUROPE via Negapatam (Letters only London, 17th Dec. 1925)	Pembrokehire		
Japan	Katori Maru		
Manila	Pres. Lincoln		
Manila	Pres. Grant		
EUROPE via Negapatam (Letters only London 17th Dec. 1925)	Kutang		
Canada, U.S.A. Japan & Shanghai	Empress of Australia		
Bangkok	Kwangtung		
MONDAY, JANUARY 18			
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Polk		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Madison		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Aki Maru		
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21			
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Cleveland		
MONDAY, JANUARY 25			
Straits	Suwa Maru		
Japan	Atsuta Maru		

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR	TO	DATE	TIME
Amoy	Szechuen	MONDAY, JANUARY 11	5 p.m.
Shanghai	Yehing	TUESDAY, JANUARY 12	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13			
Swatow	Kanchow		9.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	EUROPE via Marseilles	10th Feb.	
Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Antenor		
Shanghai and Japan	Bakone Maru		10 a.m.
Holbow and Calcutta (Parcels Room)	Mingang		10 a.m.
Letters 1 p.m.	Kunang		
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kotai Maru		5 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 14			
Amoy and Foochow	Haining		5 p.m.
Java via Batavia	Timanot		5.40 p.m.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 15			
Shanghai	Newchwang		2 p.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16			
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	EUROPE via Marseilles	14th Feb.	
Registration 6.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Katori Maru		
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A. Central & South America	EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.		
Registration 2.15 p.m. Letters 3 p.m.	Pres. Lincoln		
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central & South America	EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.		
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ASYLUM CASE.

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THIS MORNING'S EVIDENCE.

The case against a Chinese painter and a ward boy charged with an alleged conspiracy to obtain the release of a patient together with his belongings from the Lunatic Asylum was continued at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Mr. M. W. Ho, appearing for the first defendant, said that at the previous hearing a statement made by a witness who overheard a conversation between the two defendants had not been correctly interpreted. According to the interpreter, the witness stated that he overheard the ward boy (Wong Ping) telling the first defendant to climb the patient's bed.

Mr. Lo submitted that the actual statement was "if you come here and ask for Wong Ping you will be arrested."

The witness being re-examined, said that he overheard Wong Ping tell the other man not to mention that he came looking for him (Wong Ping) as the ward master would have the first defendant arrested.

The first defendant gave evidence from the witness box and the case is proceeding.

HONORARY DEGREES

TO-MORROW'S UNIVERSITY CEREMONY.

An honorary degree of Doctor of Laws will be bestowed on H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G., at the seventeenth Congregation of the University of Hongkong to-morrow. Others to receive similar degrees are the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kottewall, Mr. R. Ponsbury Fane, and Sir Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G. (in absentia). Presentation of degrees to the graduates will also be made.

Until noon to-morrow the weather forecast is N.E. winds, fresh; generally overcast, some drizzle or mist. Fresh moonsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, a Chinese youth was fined \$10 and ordered to pay a similar sum as compensation for damage done to the mudguard of a small Austin given which he took out for a drive without permission when it was left at Bonham Strand.

DAILY REMINDER PAD.

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NOTICES.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company, will be held at the Offices, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., on WEDNESDAY, 27th January, 1926, at Noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1925.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company, will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, 16th January to WEDNESDAY, 27th January, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 7, 1926.

NOTICE.

MESSRS. THOS. COOK AND SON Have Removed to New Premises, Namely 12, PEDDER STREET, FIRST FLOOR, Opposite the Hongkong Hotel.
Hongkong, January 9, 1926.

NOTICES.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ENTRIES for the Forthcoming Races close on SATURDAY, January 23, 1926, at 3 p.m. and must be sent to the Secretary, c/o Linstead & Davis, Alexandra Buildings, on or before this date.

Entry Forms are now ready and can be had at the Jockey Club Stables, Race Course, Hongkong Club of Linstead and Davis.

Hongkong, January 5, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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F. H. CRAPNELL,
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